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# CUP FACES AXE

## Bannons link up at Juventus



All three Bannon brothers will play together for the first time this season. They have quit their respective clubs to join Juventus in the Victorian State League. Pat (left), God and Vince are pictured signing their contracts, watched by coach Tony Boggi (left) and Juventus president Bernie Santamaria.

## Magyars mightier in Melbourne: Meszoly

By PETER SCOTT

Melbourne soccer fans will see the birth of another great Hungarian team at Olympic Park on Friday and Saturday, manager Kalman Meszoly promised in an interview in Sydney.

Hungary meets Victoria on Friday and Vojvodina on Saturday under lights.

The tour of Australia and New Zealand is the first step on the road to Spain, now that the dramatic struggle of the qualifying rounds is over.

In fact, Meszoly expects that Hungary's appearance at the Mundial, as well as the new policy of allowing its footballers to play for pro clubs in the west, will provide the necessary impetus to lift Hungarian soccer out of its mire.

And the first signs of the world taking note of Hungary's

revival are already apparent as an authoritative French soccer journal ranked the Hungarian's fourth in Europe last year, ahead of the likes of Poland, Scotland, Belgium, France and England.

"I hope that going to Spain will also inspire our clubs to greater efforts at improving overall standards," Meszoly told me, admitting that the club teams are nowhere near the standard of the national team just yet.

He also emphasised the moral value of allowing some Hungarian players to sign with western clubs and is in fact in favor of easing the current existing restrictions.

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## Gary Cole joins us

Australia's No. 1 striker, Gary Cole (pictured) will start writing for "Soccer Action" next week.

Cole, of Heidelberg-Alzander, has scored an aggregate 85 goals in PSL and Cup competitions since the PSL started in 1977.

He also holds what is believed to be a world record of seven goals in a World Cup game — against Fiji in Australia's 10-0 victory last year.

In his column, Cole will answer questions from interested readers.

## Jones for Hellas, Kokoska hurt

David Jones of Adelaide City Juventus will play his first game for South Melbourne Hellas against Vojvodina at Olympic Park on Friday night.

Hellas was still negotiating for Jones as we went to Press, but the transfer is certain to go through — probably for between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

Jones has played five games for Australia and two under 23 representative games.

He moved from Perth club Tricolore to West Adelaide Hellas in 1977 and switched to Adelaide City in 1979.



Hellas recruit David Jones (left) chats with transfer-listed Duncan Cummings.

back for the Vojvinda game, giving Hellas a full-strength squad from which to choose.

It includes Alan Davidson and Peter Laumets who have been withheld from the Victorian side that meets Hungary in the

McKendry is likely to use Heidelberg sweeper John Yzendoorn, as right back, the sweeper's position being held by John Gardiner of Ajax. Left back will be Charlie Yankos of Heidelberg.

Steve Kokoska is injured, so Heidelberg's Don Macleod may be called up.

Ken Murphy will play wide, and Gary Cole and Jamie Paton are the two strikers.

The Victorian team is likely to be: Jeff Oliver — Yzendoorn, Don Macleod, Gardiner, Yankos — Theo Selenidis, Jim Campbell, Jim Rooney — Gary Cole, Jamie Paton, Ken Murphy.

Hellas's likely line-up against Vojvodina: Peter Laumets — Bertie Lutton, Arthur Xanthopoulos, David Jones, Jim Shira — John Stevenson, Alan Davidson, Grant Turner — Charlie Egan, Alun Evans, Branko Buljevic.

The Vojvodina v. Hellas game starts at 7.30 pm, followed by Victoria's clash with Hungary.

On Saturday night, Hungary meets Vojvodina, preceded by a game between Mel-

## The Philips Cup competition is in danger of dying.

Increasing air fares are making it virtually impossible to continue running the series nationally.

PSL chairman Sam Papasavas says that it would be out of the question to use teams from Perth and northern Queensland, two areas represented in previous years.

The cost of Perth-Sydney flights is about \$15,000.

"There is a real chance we will not play the Philips Cup this year," Papasavas said.

"It all depends on discussions with

Philips Industries. If they are willing to support it to a greater degree, there may still be a chance it will go ahead.

"However, if we have to eliminate certain areas of Australia from the competition, it will no longer have a national flavor and we probably would have opposition from the States.

"In that case, it may be easier to run the Cup just between the PSL clubs, on a city basis.

The 1981 Cup was contested by 36 teams — the 16 in the PSL plus 10 selected from State competitions on merit.

## PSL may curb fees

PSL chairman Sam Papasavas will push for transfer fee controls at the league's next meeting.

"If transfer fees continue to spiral, only two or three elite clubs will be able to buy players," he says.

"That would make the strong stronger and the weak weaker."

"I think all clubs are

deeply concerned by the current level of transfer fees."

"Mr Papasavas said he would favor \$25,000 being the absolute maximum transfer fee within Australia.

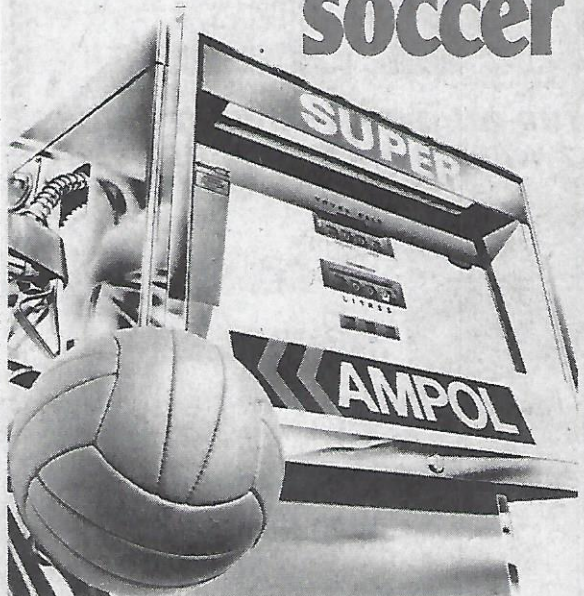
Average PSL transfers

should be about \$10,000, he said.

Already the ASF tribunal is showing an acute awareness of the problem.

Gary Byrne of Marconi recently had his transfer fee reduced from \$30,000 to \$25,000.

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## International tournament at St. George Stadium

# What a treat!

By PETER SCOTT

**SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3 (Koussas 42', Zeros, penalty 44', Wilson 69) HUNGARY 3 (Bodonyi 24', Torocsk 34', Varga, penalty 65') at St. George Stadium.**

Referee: Davies.  
Crowd: 7,084.

**OLYMPIC:** Meier, Moulis, Scott (Kelly 73), Ras-kopoulos, Zeros, Wilson, Gavin, Koussas, Katholos, Jennings, Akouttas (Rowden 67).

**HUNGARY:** Katlirz (Kakas 28'), Szanto, Kerek-s, Toty (Varga, 46'), Rab, Garaba, Bodonyi (Izso 73'), Csongradi, Torocsk, Kiss, Varadi, (Poloskei, 46').

If only games of this superior quality could be a regular fare in Australia, we would have trouble fitting the multitudes into our stadiums.

Thanks to an Olympic squad, driven and almost possessed by its will to win, the Hungarians were forced to play a much more intensive game of football than they did against St. George two nights earlier.

The Greek club's defenders subjected the visitors to some very hard tackling from the start. The visitors responded in kind.

The Hungarians played the sparkling, skilful stuff for which they are renowned when at their best.

First, Garaba went very close, then Torocsk crashed one against the crossbar from 30 metres.

Torocsk continued to figure prominently, first flicking a clever ball for

Bodonyi to score in the 24th minute, then whacking a marvellous 22 metre free kick to make it 2-0 just 10 minutes later.

The Hungarians continued to press hard and many in the crowd started tipping a runaway win for them, not taking into account the willpower of this superbly fit Olympic squad.

If the Hungarians thought the match was as good as won, they were quickly set straight in a no-nonsense manner.

With just three minutes to half time, Danny Moulis sent over a superb cross from the right wing, which was rocketed into the back of the net by Mark Koussas's fabulous diving header.

Two minutes later Koussas broke through the

Hungarian rear guard again, rounded goalie Kakas and was about to put the ball into the empty net, when the Hungarian grabbed his leg. Jimmy Zeros had no trouble equalising from the penalty spot.

The half ended with hundreds of Greek supporters on the pitch in a wild celebration of their team's comeback.

After the break Olympic

continued its assault with first Koussas, then nippy little Gavin prominent.

In the 64th minute Koussas fired in a point blank shot which forced Kakas to pull off a spectacular reflex save.

Against the run of play Hungary hit the front a minute later when Scott needlessly conceded a penalty for a tackle on Torocsk. Varga converted.

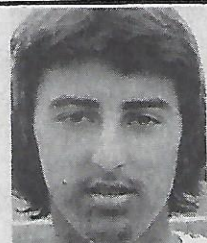
But Olympic wasted a little time striking back when Wilson was on the spot to slot home a cross

which was fumbled by goalie Kakas.

In the last minute Olympic was very unlucky not to snatch the winner when a long, searing drive by Moulis was knocked out by Kakas into the path of Koussas, whose first time, diving header grazed the crossbar.

The teams were cheered off the field after a magnificent 90 minutes of non-stop entertainment.

Olympic will take a power of beating in the PSL this year, unless it peaks too soon. If only the



Danny Moulis

immensely talented Peter Katholos could become more of a team man then Olympic could become a truly top team.

Hungary showed the benefits of acclimatisation, but its players' condition still is suspect, with most of them running out of steam in the final 15 minutes.

## Marton injured as Vojvodina proves too classy

**Vojvodina 3 (Pejovic 58, R. O'Shea own goal, 87 Vujadinovic 91 St George Budapest 0, at St George Stadium. Referee: Doug Rennie.**

Crowd: 7084.

**VOJVODINA:** Ciric, Micovic, Mesarovic, Jablan, (Ilic 41), Bekvalac, Popic (Grubor 46), Novakovic (Zocko 41), Z. Maric, Vujadinovic, Durovic (S. Maric 72), Pejovic.

**ST GEORGE BUDAPEST:** Fraser, Skoon, M. O'Shea (Rylands 56), R. O'Shea, Radcliffe, Stone, Davies, Marton (Fisher 72), Campbell (Terry 61), Barton, Wilkinson.

Almost immediately from the kick-off it was obvious that this match

was to be a real crowd pleaser, especially from the skilful, flowing football turned on by the Yugoslav First Division side.

In spite of conceding skill to its opponents, St George's defence stood its ground.

New signing David Radcliffe was especially prominent, distributing well from the sweeper's position and constantly directing his team-mates around him.

With quarter of the

game gone, Vojvodina started to assert its superiority and while its livewire strikers started to punch gaping holes into the home defence, it was left to

strapping stopper Dragoljub Bekvalac to almost snap the crossbar in half with a roaring bomb of a shot in the 26th minute.

Other chances went begging, with only Mike Fraser's brilliance between the sticks keeping the score sheet blank.

A number of times early in the second half, the Saints tried to counter the Vojvodina pressure by pushing Des Marton into a more attacking role than

at any time previously in this tournament. For his troubles he got heavily dumped by Bekvalac early on and was eventually replaced by Les Fisher.

Marton, incidentally,

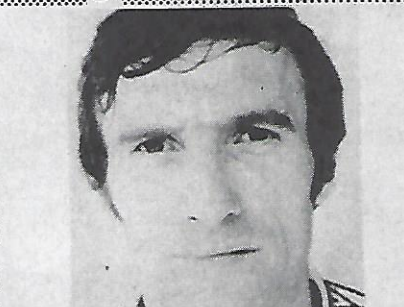
may find it hard to repeat his legendary scoring exploits of last year with St George's move from the NSW State League into the PSL.

He also seems to be less mobile and even looks to be carrying some excess poundage.

Vojvodina's superiority was finally converted into a goal after 58 minutes, when Pejovic easily scored from a clever cutback pass by Grubor.

With only 12 minutes left the Yugoslav side had a great chance to increase its lead, but a penalty by Zovko was well saved by Fraser.

In a carbon copy of the first match against Hungary, St George again collapsed in the final few minutes, with Robbie O'Shea conceding an own goal in the 87th, followed



Des Marton

by Vujadinovic's header in injury time, which set the final score at a comfortable 3-0.

Vojvodina's effort was impressive and entertaining, with its front runners Zoran Maric, Vujadinovic and Pejovic posing a constant danger, but their finishing was still well below par.

The Saints can only im-

prove from matches such as these and could well prove to be a handful in the opening Ampol Cup match against Champion Sydney City tonight (Wednesday) if their condition stands up to the current series of tough games and their spirit doesn't get broken by the losses in this tournament.

— PETER SCOTT

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## Another Jim Hermiston replacement plan fails

**SYDNEY CITY 3 BRISBANE LIONS 1. Charity Shield at Richlands Stadium.**

Scorers: Kosmina 51st, 72nd, Bennett o.g. 34th (SC), Burns 75th (Lions).  
Referee: Dave Nugent

7. Conditions: Hot, steamy

Crowd: about 1,000.  
Cautions: Hogg, Daunt (Lions), Bruce (SC).

**SYDNEY CITY:** Clarke 6, Cant 8, Robertson 7, O'Connor 7, Bruce 6, Souness 6, Barnes 8, Spanos 7, Watson 8 (Mullen 73rd), Kosmina 7, Murray 7.

**LIONS:** Lowndes 5, McKinnings 5, Bennett 7, Maclean 6, Niven 7, Hogg 7, Ferris 4, Burns 4, Low 6, Daunt 3 (Millman 59th, 6), Williamson 6.

Brisbane Lions' coach Joe Gilroy finally admitted his team was missing sweeper Jim Hermiston following a 3-1 defeat by Sydney City in the Charity Shield Final at Richlands last weekend.

Gilroy has been the eternal optimist in recent weeks and with most of the Lions' officials, brushed aside the loss of the former Phillips League Player of the Year. But on Sunday he finally said what everyone knew was obvious.

At first, youngster Paul Burns was the instant replacement, but he fell out of favor after a 5-2 thrashing in a trial with Brisbane City. Former Hampton player and now Institute of Sport student Malcolm Tuttle was mentioned but then was ruled out with a hamstring injury.

And last Sunday it was transfer-listed midfielder Jimmy Maclean who was given the chance to grab instant stardom.

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Sydney City and six matches, two against PSL opposition.

A sharp-looking John Kosmina put the result beyond doubt when he scored twice in the second half, both due to some intelligent thinking.

His first came when he managed to pull the whole lions' defence left, as three men ran in to do the job of one. A quick turn on the edge of the box put him in space with the ball on his right foot.

Lowndes could do little more than parry the hard shot into goal.

Kosmina's second goal highlighted the superior fitness of the Sydney team.

Murray punched a ball through a relatively flat defence and the Lions' defence was content to let it run through to its keeper.

er. Kosmina simply ran behind, collected the ball and had little trouble in putting it past Lowndes who was left by his team mates in no-man's land.

Lions had nothing to lose after going three goals down and pushed Maclean into midfield. The service for the forwards became better and Lions' goal came in the 75th minute.

Craig Low crossed from the right, Ferris's shot was blocked and rebounded to Burns who put a low shot away.

Lions may have scored again through Low or even Ron Millman who was among Lions' best players after he substituted for the hapless Calvin Daunt in the 59th minute.

— RICKY ROSSO



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International tournament at St. George Stadium

# Olympic the surprise packet but Yugoslavs win series

Even a drenching downpour just before the final night's program failed to stop the St. George Budapest 25th anniversary tournament from being anything other than a resounding success.

In spite of the weather having a major effect on the crowd last Sunday night, the Saints finished the tournament without incurring a financial loss and deserve football fans' gratitude for this excellent promotion.

The opening nights crowd of 3054 is a new Barton Park record.

The surprise packet was Sydney Olympic.

Against all expectations, the Greek Club almost ended up winner of the tournament. All that was needed was for Vojvodina and Hungary to tie the last match.

Vojvodina, eventually



By PETER SCOTT

the narrow victor, kept its best form for last. As for the Hungarians, the unanimous opinion of the Sydney press, which discounted them as a serious competitor in the World Cup finals in their promotion.

They are, after all, in

Australia without five of their regular stars, their skipper Nyilasi was injured in the first match and, using the tournament as preparation for the big tasks ahead, manager Mezey has been giving all his charges a run.

Host St. George Budapest was also better than its first playing times and can only improve during the PSL season.

The St. George Stadium at Barton Park deserves praise for its excellent condition, even after the deluge of almost biblical proportion which hit Sydney on Sunday night.

And it was a fitting tribute to the man whose dream came true that the ultra-modern grandstand will in future be known

as the Alex Pongrac stand. The naming ceremony was conducted by Sir Arthur George and was moved by an extremely hostile and prolonged demonstration against the ASF president by a majority of the crowd.

It was equally jarring that Sir Arthur, instead of ignoring the cat calls

and whistles, chose to respond with a series of intemperate rejoinders which did nothing to maintain the dignity of his office.

## FINAL TABLE

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## KOUSSAS STARS

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 5 (Koussas 1, 89, Gavin 33, Katholos 72, Raskopoulos 77) ST GEORGE BUDAPEST 0 at St George Stadium.

Referee: Lorenc. Crowd 7684.

OLYMPIC: Wilson 7, Moulis 8, Scott 7, Raskopoulos 7, Zeros 7, Wilson 7, Akoutas 6 (Rowden 77), Gavin 7, Koussas 9, Katholos 8, Jennings 8.

ST GEORGE: Greedy 5, Skeen 6, R. O'Shea 6, Ratcliffe 5 (Rylands 71), J. O'Shea 6, Davies 7, Stone 7, Campbell 8, Barton 6, Wilkinson 6.

Sydney Olympic went very close to winning St George Budapest's 25th anniversary tournament ahead of two distinguished overseas entries, when it crushed the host club 5-0 last Sunday night.

Olympic lived up to its reputation as a team which puts all its cards on the table with fast, open, attacking football.

In fact the pattern was set from the opening minute, when Mark Koussas latched onto an Andy Scott pass which evaded Saints' sweeper David Ratcliffe, to open Olympic's account.

The final outcome never was in doubt after that, although the Saints easily could have scored several goals from the chances they created.

Unfortunately their finishing this time around, as it has been all through the tournament, was sadly lacking.

Campbell, Stone and Davies all could have netted before Gavin increased Olympic's lead against the run of play.

Ernie Campbell was especially effective for St George with his sharp and skilful forays only marred by some unnecessarily bad tempered play.

The early pattern continued throughout the game with Wilkinson, Davies, Campbell and Barton in with great chances to score, but missing them all.

As the frustrated Saints and manager Frank Arok watched these opportunities frittered away, Peter Katholos sparked into life at the other end to make it 3-0.

Koussas then rattled the woodwork with a booming drive and seconds later set up Peter Raskopoulos for a goal.

The icing on the cake for the World Youth Cup top scorer came with his second goal a minute from the end. St George must have been disheartened by the big scoreline and the fact that the team failed to score one goal in its three matches.

Against Olympic, St George's two Yugoslav imports, Marton and Lorincz, still unsettled and out of condition, were rested.

The blending of the new players wearing the club's colours won't be quick or easy for Arok and assistant Frank Lang, but the potential is there.

What must worry them, though, is that in another week and a half the PSL kicks off and some early losses can kill whatever chance for title honours the club may have.

The opposite is true for Olympic. The team is playing at something resembling peak form already and one must wonder if such early form can be maintained during the hard months ahead.

— PETER SCOTT

## Hungarians played for half price

From page one

"Every one of the players who signed with foreign clubs so far was considered over the hill back home having to show their mettle in the competitive, professional atmosphere of the west, faced with a different and tougher set of demands, they manage to lift their game and change their former attitude. Their example has an obvious effect on players in Hungary who have an ambition to play abroad and now see what is needed for them to succeed.

Meszoly, while admitting that the low standards of domestic soccer are a major problem in Hungary, tends to think that observers are perhaps overly critical.

English and Italian games which were also very boring. What is more, the media doesn't help us very much either."

The Hungarian manager also responded to criticism of his team's performances during the early stages of the current tour.

"I apologise to spectators if they are disappointed with us, but they should understand the reason why we came to Australia. If we wanted a full-blooded, highly-competitive series of games, we would have again gone to South America, like we usually do at this time of year. However we wanted to be able to prepare against good, keen, but not quite world standard opposition, in pleasant weather and good grounds far away from the glare and ice of Europe.

## VOJVODINA 2 (Z. Maric 36 and 53), HUNGARY 1 (Scongradi 12) at St George Stadium.

Referee: Boskovic.

Crowd: 7,604.

VOJVODINA: Ciric 7, Meszoly 8, Meszoly 8, Zovko 7, Bekvalac 7 (Papek 46th 7), Grubor 7, Novakovic 7 (Rac 54th 7), Z. Maric 9, Vujadinovic 8 (Djurovic 86th), Ilic 7, Pejovic 8 (Matic 70th).

HUNGARY: Kakas 5, Szanto 7 (Moldovan 46th 6), Kerekas 7, Toth 7, Garaba 6, Rab 7, Csongradi 8, Sallai 7, Torocsik 7, Kiss 6 (Bodonyi 70th) Varadi 6, Poloskei 60th 6.

Playing very much below full capacity, Hungary allowed Vojvodina to clinch the St George anniversary tournament due mainly to serious weaknesses in midfield and a lack of punch up front.

Manager Kalman Meszoly estimates that his team still only is playing at one third of its capabilities and isn't too worried about the future.

But this narrow loss meant the galloping Magyars had to be content with third spot among the four teams.

Hungary started off keen as mustard, out-pacing and out-thinking the Yugoslavs and it was no great surprise when Congradi crashed in a 20 metre pile driver in the 12th minute.

With the Hungarians one up play evened out, but the two stoppers, Kerekas and Bekvalac, had things well under control.

A worrisome aspect for Hungary was the indecisiveness of second string goalie on tour, Bela Kakas, who was involved in Vojvodina's equalizer in the 36th minute.

The brilliant Zoran Maric flicked the ball casually past the advancing Kakas after sparking, leading work by Grubor and Zovko, which had the Hungarian defence at sixes and sevens.

Vojvodina's all-action, running game and decisive tackling had its opponent nonplussed from here on in, with the only response being some ill-tempered incidents in retaliation to heavy tackling.

The Yugoslavs scored their winner eight minutes into the second half, with Maric once again out-pacing the defence and calmly shooting into the farthest corner of the net.

Manager Meszoly later complained that Maric was offside in this incident and was scathing in his denunciation of referee Boskovic's decision to disallow a Hungarian goal later in the game. It did seem that

## Koritar delayed

St George Budapest's new Hungarian import, Lejos Koritar, is unlikely to arrive in Australia before March, forcing him to miss several rounds of PSL action.

Lack of action by the British Embassy in Budapest, which looks after Hungarian affairs, is blamed by officials for the delay. The Minister of the Interior in Budapest has approved Koritar's exist visa, according to news brought by touring Hungarian national team coach Gyorgy Mezei, who previously was Koritar's club coach with MTK Budapest.

Koritar, a vastly experienced midfielder, has just returned to Hungary from a big indoor tournament in Moscow and is ready to leave for Australia as soon as the red tape is untangled.

Last Sunday Mezei forecast that when the acclimatized and settles into his new team, Koritar will be a revelation in Australian soccer.

"He is a utility player of great stamina and physical strength, who knows all there is to know about all aspects of modern football," said Mezei.

"Koritar has excellent dribbling and technical skills and, although over the age of 30, he is a superbly fit player who has looked after himself over the years.

Mezei also highlighted Koritar's great ability in the air. Koritar has represented his country in 'B', Under 23 and Youth internationals. He will be coming to Australia with his wife, a well known singer in Budapest, and his young son.

Koritar was signed after St George failed in its pursuit of midfielder Karoly Csapo who is not with the squad at the moment but is an experienced international.

opportunities to blood some of our younger players without the glaring spotlight of the media we would attract in Latin America."

Meszoly pointed out that Hungary paid a price for this opportunity, by accepting match fees less than half of what they would get in Brazil and Argentina.

With a dry sense of humour he remarked that the whistles and slow hand-clapping which greeted his team's efforts on the Sydney tournament's first night "almost made us feel at home in Budapest."

But don't write the Magyars off; not just yet.

Their young manager firmly believes that his team has as good a chance as any to qualify for the second round in Spain in spite of being drawn against

na, European finalist Belgium and the dark horse, El Salvador.

"The Argentinians' performance have been something of a mixed bag recently and they won't be anywhere as strong in Spain as they were four years ago. I am pleased that our first match is against El Salvador, as they seem the easiest opposition in our group and a good win could be a confidence booster."

Meszoly also stuck his neck out and announced his first round's tips at the World Cup. He picked Italy and Poland in Group 1, West Germany and Austria in Group 2, Argentina and Hungary in Group 3, England and France in Group 4, Yugoslavia to accompany host Spain from Group 5, with Brazil and the Soviet Union to



Vojvodina forward Branislav Novakovic

— PETER SCOTT

## Vojvodina to meet ambitious Geelong

Geelong is pushing itself more and more into the forefront of national soccer.

Having played against Wollongong City last Saturday, a Geelong Select now is preparing to meet Vojvodina of Yugoslavia.

The game will be at Meyers Reserve in Rons Road, Bell Post Hill, on Tuesday at 6pm.

Victorian State players Carl Gilder and Steve Short of Croatia will be guest players in the Geelong team.

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**International tournament at St. George Stadium**

**HUNGARY 2 (Poloskei 89, Kiss 90) ST GEORGE BUDAPEST 0 at St George Stadium.**

**HUNGARY:** Katszai, Szanto, Kerekas, Toth, Garaba, Bodonyi, (Izso 77), Nyilasi (Moldvan 86), Torocsik (Kiss 59), Rab, Salai (Poloskei 68), Varadi.

**ST GEORGE BUDAPEST:** Fraser (Greedy 46), Skeen, R. O'Shea (Terry 54), Barton, Radcliffe, M. O'Shea (Rylands 46), Lorincz (Faher 46), Stone, Campbell (Davies 46) Wilkinson, Marton.

A major disappointment is the only way in which the performance of the Hungarian national team can be described in this match.

Not until the dying seconds did Hungary manage to notch the winning goals after pushing the ball around rather ineffectively for most of the game.

The visitors managed to contain St George Budapest's attacks without too many hassles, with only new signing Paul Wilkinson looking a likely scorer with a brave attempt in the 60th minute.

On the other hand, Hungary had a number of excellent chances, but all of them went to waste, as the early enthusiasm of the many Hungarians in the crowd turned into disappointment first, followed by catcalls and slow handclapping later.

Just as it looked as if the Saints would hold out for a prestigious draw, Poloskei capitalised on some confusion in the defence to open Hungary's account with an opportunistic goal in the 89th, followed by a world-class effort by Laszlo Kiss only seconds later.

Kiss broke clear of the defence and masterfully chipped the ball over the head of the advancing Fraser from about 17 metres.

It was a goal which should be repeated on television constantly as a prime example of the beauty inherent in soccer.

Unfortunately there weren't many moments like these. Hungarian manager Kalman Meszoly later apologised to fans, but claimed extenuating circumstance, such as latent jet lag.

He also explained that the primary purpose of the tour

# Meszoly says sorry after poor showing

is to prepare the squad for Spain and the World Cup finals.

Tactical moves to be employed against Hungary's known opponents such as Argentina and Belgium and the trying out of some of the players in the squad in unaccustomed roles and positions, are some of the aims of the exercise as Meszoly sees it.

They are valid points, but left the paying customers in something of a bind.

They hope to see entertaining soccer, which, on this occasion, was sadly lacking.

St George Budapest and its shrewd manager Frank Arok could be well satisfied with his team's effort, as it may have been able to get away with a draw.

The team's rebuilding is progressing well and the Saints, in their return to the PSL, look likely to be more than competitive with their rivals.

In fact, they fully deserved the words of praise from Meszoly, who characterised St George as the ideal opponent for Hungary in its World Cup preparations and a team "which doesn't know how to stop trying its best."

Now, if only the Hungarians could do the same...

Sydney Olympic goalkeeper Gary Meier



## Meier thwarts Vojvodina

**SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Koussas 67th) VOJVODINA 1 (Pejovic 86th) at St George Stadium.**

**OLYMPIC:** Meier, Moulis, Scott, Raskopoulos, Zeras, Wilson, Gavin, Koussas, Katholos, Jennings, Akoutass (Rowden 46).

**VOJVODINA:** Ciric, Micovic, Zovko, Bekvalac, Grubor, Novakovic, Maric, Vujadinovic (Rac 71), Ilic, Pejovic.

Referee: Boskovic.

Sydney Olympic gave early warning to 1982 PSL rivals with a sparkling second-half performance against Yugoslav 1st Division side Vojvodina in the opening fixture of the St George Budapest

25th anniversary international tournament, last Wednesday.

The enforced "rest" caused by a half-time generator blow-out, which plunged the near 10,000 crowd into pitch darkness and delayed the resumption of the game for almost an hour, seemed to do wonders for the locals.

The first period was highlighted by no less than four misses by Vojvodina's strikers in good scoring positions.

At that stage it was Olympic's second-string goalie Garry Meier, deputising for the injured Peter Wilson, who kept his team in the game.

He frustrated international striker Zoran Maric on no less than three occasions.

The second half saw a big change come over the game as Olympic decided to strike out in attack, instead of constantly backpeddling, as before.

The locals tightened their defence considerably as a result of their changed tactics even the Yugoslavs found themselves forced to play at a much faster pace.

With these changes, the match became a feast of football entertainment for the appreciative crowd.

Olympic's domination finally turned into a goal in the 67th minute, when Mark Koussas netted a cross from the left wing by Graham Jennings for a 1-0 lead, which looked like the winner right up until the dying minutes of the game.

However, the hoped-for upset over a top European team did not materialise as in the 86th minute the brilliant Garry Meier could only parry a shot by Maric.

To Olympic's misfortune Labud Pejovic was on the spot to easily slot the ball home for the equaliser.

Meier was undoubtedly the man of the match, with Peter Raskopoulos also showing great control and distribution for Olympic.

As for Vojvodina, Maric was a constant danger, always looking potentially lethal, but his finishing was woeful.

In fact the Yugoslavs' finishing was way below what one would expect from a European team of their reputed quality.

— PETER SCOTT

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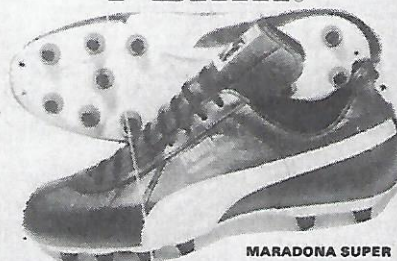
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# Boath, West's new workhorse

West Adelaide Haller coach Alan Boath had more than duty-free shopping on his mind when visiting Singapore in January, for it was here that he secured the signatures of two members of the New Zealand squad, in the Lion city for World Cup play-off against China.

Steve Sumner already is well known to Australian soccer followers after his season with Newcastle KB United, however the second recruit, Alan Boath, requires introduction.

A native of Dundee, Boath enjoyed considerable success in junior soccer and in 1974 represented the Scottish Boys' Clubs against their counterparts from England, Wales and Ireland.

An invitation to join Dundee United, the club he had supported from the terraces, was gratefully accepted, but unfortunately the "Tersies" did not provide him with a quick route to stardom.

After two seasons at Tannadice Park, during which he had been

unable to break into the first team, the ambitious Boath was happy to move on to Forth Athletic.

Forth, nicknamed the "Loons" by their supporters, have not gained a single major honor during their 88 year history, yet Boath found himself playing for a very useful side.

Not only did Athletic top the Scottish Second Division ladder during the early part of the 1977-78 season, but also enjoyed a remarkable run in the League Cup.

Boath, playing at left back, quickly acquired a reputation as a solid, consistent performer.

Manager Archie Hunter had convinced Boath as the cornerstone of his defense for many years to come. He was also convinced to tell that the full back intended accompanying to New Zealand when his one year contract had run its course.

This decision deprived Boath of the opportunity to play at Hampden Park, the mecca of Scottish soccer. An irate

By PAUL MOON

Hunter dropped him prior to Athletic's League Cup semi-final with Rangers, which was staged at the famous old stadium in front of 30,000 spectators.

Boath's Scottish League career had come to a premature and sudden halt, in total he made 10 that time appearance.

Christchurch's West-ster Working Men's Club required the Scot to bolster a mediocre competition as it embarked upon its initial National League campaign.

Unfortunately, Boath, surrounded by inexperienced players and suffering from a series of nagging injuries, failed to produce his best form for the struggling club, which finished bottom of the table.

Still, he was deemed good enough to gain his first representative honor in New Zealand, appearing for Canterbury against Otago.

Despite Westster's relegation to the Southern Regional League, Boath stayed and was appointed captain for the following season in which the club earned a minor consolation by reaching the semi-final of New Zealand's premier knock-out com-

petition, the Otago Cup.

WVWMC only could gain third place in the league though, and Boath responded to the overtures of National League Christchurch United, for which he lined up at the commencement of the 1980 season.

Despite being constantly moved between back four and midfield in a team passing through the trauma of reconstruction, the workmanlike Colquhoun caught the eye of New Zealand coach John Adcock, who drafted him into the side for the second game of NZ's 14-tied international tour.

New Zealand drew 1-1 with a Southern Regional XI in a scrappy game and Spain looked to be a million miles away.

At that stage Adcock appeared to be close to believing that New Zealand's World Cup build-up was progressing satisfactorily, and the young Christchurch United utility player was included in future plans.

When the World Cup programme commenced, Boath only was a fringe member of the squad. But as the series proceeded, he was to prove invaluable, either as a tactical substitute or deputising for injured or suspended players and now has 10 international

appearances to his credit.

An efficient ball winner and intelligent distributor, Boath works with tireless enthusiasm being equally at home as a forward or in the back four. It is in the role of attacking midfielder that Adcock has favoured his talents and it is here that Alan Boath probably will find him to be of greatest value.

Boath had rejected Westster, now back in the "Rockmen" League, early in 1981. Unfortunately his second appearance in the premier soccer competition was as unsuccessful as the first and it was relegated.

After the midwintering hiatus of World Cup football, Boath actually did not relish the prospect of returning to regional league football and was a prime target for West in Singapore.

When building the first Newcastle KB United team, Vest brought in three New Zealanders — Bill Auer, Phil Banks and Roy Drummond.

Now, attempting to resurrect Haller, Vest has embarked upon the same policy and the club in the shape and substance of Boath and Drummond cannot have escaped his attention.

If Boath proves to be as fine a servant to the South Australians as Drummond has been to Newcastle, nobody could wish for more.

He is due to make his debut for West Adelaide on the FFL's opening day, which coincides with his 24th birthday.



Alan Boath — expected to be the new midfield dynamo at West Adelaide Haller in 1982

Naked Ape author looks at soccer

## NATIONAL GAMES SHELVED

By STEPHEN DETTRE

Soccer fans are unlikely to see either their national team or the national youth team in action in Australia this year.

Australian Soccer Federation General Secretary Brian le Fevre said the ASF had no plans to stage any international matches this season, although the "Coke-kids" would be brought together for several overseas trips.

"We don't anticipate the Australian youth team playing any matches in Australia," Mr le Fevre said.

"It is more likely that they will play on several overseas trips that have been tentatively arranged.

"This will give national youth team coach, Les Scheinflug, time to prepare the side for the elimination matches for the 1983 Youth World Cup in Mexico," Mr le Fevre said.

Mr le Fevre said the elimination games for the Oceania sub-group would be held in Port Moresby in December, involving the national youth teams of Australia, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and New Zealand more.

The Youth World Cup is held every two years, as opposed to the senior World Cup being held every four years.

Last year Australia hosted the Youth World Cup, and the young Socceroos — dubbed the "Coke-kids" because of the sponsor of the championship — caught the imagination of the Australian sporting public.

The Australians surprised everyone by qualifying for the quarter finals after knocking out reigning youth champions Argentina.

The previous eight months had seen a miserable World Cup qualifying campaign by the senior team that virtually ended when New Zealand scored their first ever victory over Australia on Australian soil, 2-0 at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Mr le Fevre said one of the most likely tours by the youth team would be to Asia in September, for about six matches.

He said the ASF wanted to give the youth team as much help as possible to qualify for the 1983 Youth Cup in Mexico.

"Unfortunately the qualifying tournament in Port Moresby is not the final hurdle," he said.

"As it now stands, the winner of the Oceania sub-group must play off with the loser of the South American zone and with Israel in a mini tournament.

"In 1977 we had to do this with Paraguay and then for last year's tournament, New Zealand were involved in a three-way tie with Israel and As



Brian le Fevre

"Naturally the Oceania representatives are not happy with this situation, but the South American voting weight inside the international federation (FIFA) is such that there is little we can do," he said.

"As you can imagine the South Americans are quite happy with the present set-up," he said.

Mr le Fevre said the senior team would probably not play this year, although unforeseen events could change that decision.

"You never can tell what can happen," he said.

"We might be offered a match against a world famous team, or one of the World Cup qualifiers might be travelling through on their way to Spain," he said.

The Australian national team is still without a coach, with Les Scheinflug not officially appointed as the senior team,

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## Hermiston still 'no', Cairney impresses

By Ricky Rosso

The Hermiston saga goes on. Lions made a "very good" offer for Hermiston to come back hopped for the Charity Shield, but he turned it down. He obviously wants to play again but keeps saying the travel to Lions is too much.

Whether City opts for his contract — it will cost the club anywhere between \$10,000 and \$15,000 remains to be seen. Several State League clubs are also keen to sign the Scotsman.

The big players in City's 5-2 win over Lions in a recent practice match were stopper Peter Tokesi, new midfielder Bevan Bohna, winger Willie Conner and former State under 19 winger Steve Glockner, who played confidently, scored once and set another up.

City's new signing Joe Cairney, 25, from Kilmarnock, watched from the sidelines. Cairney was a team mate of City midfielder John McVeigh at Airdrie.

He was top scorer at the club for three seasons.

He was also in Airdrie's Spring Cup winning team. Cairney, a centre forward, had been trialling with Blackpool in the weeks prior to his move to Australia.

Lions coach Joe Gilroy, somewhat of an expert on Scottish soccer, rated Cairney "quite a good player who I am surprised has left Scotland at this stage of his career".

Lions' acceptance to the State League, means many of the players on the transfer list, including Scanlan, McNaughton and MacLean who probably would have gone to the State League clubs, seem certain now to stay.

## Vagianos: Tasmania can do it

By WALTER PLESS

Laki Vagianos, 32, is a unique figure in Tasmanian soccer. He started his senior career and established himself in the State before being transferred and making the grade with mainland side. Laki helped win a Phillips League championship in 1978 with West Adelaide Hellas.

Vagianos returned to Tasmania as a star in 1979 and now is running a business at Bridgewater, just north of Hobart. He is undecided about the 1982 season but is open to offers from clubs interested in his services.

Born on the Greek island of Kos, Vagianos came to Tasmania in 1964 at the age of 16. He immediately established himself in the senior team of the local Greek club, Olympia.

Between 1964 and 1968, Olympia won four



Laki Vagianos

championships and Vagianos, playing at centre-back, was a key component of the side. His ability was recognised when he was chosen for the Tasmanian team that played Cardiff City.

Following his five-year stint with Olympia, Vagianos was transferred to West Adelaide Hellas, a notable achievement for a local player.

Hellas proved to be the best team that Laki has played in. He found it relatively easy to adjust to the higher playing standards, characterised by harder tackling, tighter marking and the great mobility of opponents.

"The spirit of the players, their love of the game, the family atmosphere was tremendous. All the players got on really well together because we were mostly the same age and we all had started together. It made it easier to settle in," Vagianos says.

Numerous Cup wins and South Australian championships followed, culminating in the Phillips League championship in 1978.

Vagianos also played in representative teams against Greece and Moscow Dynamo. He has enjoyed playing against the likes of Macdonald and Lev Ya-

shin, as well as with Graeme Soumess.

Tom Forde is the best coach under whom he has played. "He was more professional than the others and he cared for the players and for the club," he says.

Vagianos returned to Olympia and Tasmania State League soccer in 1979. After his years of success on the mainland it turned out to be a bit of a jolt as Olympia suffered relegation.

Laki didn't play again for the club and travelled overseas in 1980, playing no soccer at all.

He resumed in 1981, with Croatia-Glenorchy. Injury, together with a contractual dispute, meant that he played only five games last season. He did, however, score a vital last-minute equaliser for Croatia when it gained a point against eventual champion Brighton-ICL.

## \$7,110 for Doug Collins

By PAUL MOON

Sydney Olympic coach Doug Collins returned to Australia \$7,110 richer after the Manchester industrial tribunal deemed his former employer, Rochdale Soccer Club, guilty of unfair dismissal.

He successfully sought compensation after Rochdale relieved him of the manager's post in November, 1979 — eight months before his contract ended.

Rochdale contended that the tribunal had no jurisdiction to hear the claim, as Collins had not been employed for the minimum 52 weeks, as required by British law.

Mr. Ian McLaren, counsel for the Olympic coach, contended however that Rochdale continued to pay him \$240 a week until the 18-month contract elapsed. Still registered as a player, Collins was not called upon by Rochdale during this period, although available if needed.

Collins recalled how the English Press had lauded him as a "Houdini" and "Miracle Worker" after hauling the Lancashire club clear of the re-election zone at the end of the 1978-79 season.

Unfortunately it won just two of the opening 20 games during the following campaign and its manager was the obvious scapegoat.

Mr. Ian Ferris, representing Rochdale, stated that the club regarded Collins as an "abysmal failure".

Collins countered by recalling the financial problems and ignorance of directors he had to contend with.

He said that when a club director queried why Rochdale did not play like Manchester United, he replied: "Because I don't have four million pounds to spend!"

After the tribunal decided unanimously in his favor, Collins stated: "I am happy the decision cleared my name, but I am really sorry it had to go this far."

## Doubt over Housseini, Picioane

A cloud hangs over the future of Housseini Housseini and Joe Picioane, the two star midfielders Marconi bought for big money last season.

Housseini, the Iranian international from Sydney Olympic, and Picioane, the Socorro from Footscray JUST, quickly found themselves on Marconi's sidelines for one reason or another.

Picioane's problems centred around injuries, yet Marconi officials also argued that whereas both midfielders were brilliantly skilful, they lacked tackling power and team discipline.

They're both training with Marconi now but it remains to be seen whether they will be retained. Picioane actually made it known late last year that he wants to return to Melbourne.

Gary Byrne meanwhile, has had his transfer fee reduced from \$30,000 to \$25,000 through appeal to the ASF. He says he has been too long at Marconi and he wants a change.

Sydney Olympic has shown interest in him but may be unable to afford the price.

Marconi had a promising 3-1 victory over 1981 champion Sydney City Hakoah in a recent practice match, with Roberto Vieri, Mark Jankovics and Bertie Mariani scoring the goals.

It was a testimonial match for Marconi's Ken Lindsay who has been forced out of soccer by his second broken leg. Although it was a good victory for Marconi, it must be pointed out that Marconi had been in training for 10 weeks whereas Hakoah had trained for only two weeks.

— LAURIE SCHWAB



Joe Picioane (left) in action for J.U.S.T. against Peter Vaughan of Mooroolbark.

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# AMPOL VICTORIAN AMPOL CUP

## HELLAS, JUST IN RACE TO THE FINAL

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

South Melbourne Hellas and Footscray JUST fight tonight (Wednesday) for the right to meet Heidelberg in the final of the 1982 Ampol Cup. The final is set for the following Wednesday, February 10.

Tonight's Olympic Park clashes kick-off at 7.15pm when Green Gully Ajax gets the chance to hit the goal trail against undermanned Croydon.

Croydon hopes to sign Ajax striker Kevin Wall this week and the club already has signed ex-Swansea defender Steve Kylie.

David Cork, a 25-year-old midfielder once apprenticed at Manchester United, still is in the UK but is expected to arrive soon. Another UK player, 28-year-old Ian Dobson, has shown interest in joining.

But against Ajax, Croydon looks to be in for a severe onslaught.

Gus Macleod is due for a goal or two while Paul Lewis could be one of the top State League strikers of 1982.

Croydon used Steve McCombe and Des Shannon as its central defensive combination in its 6-0 drubbing by Hellas and should these two again line-up together their work will be cut out. McCombe though, has done well against the bustling Macleod on a couple of occasions. Shannon is inexperienced and should the lightning-quick

Olympic Park, Wednesday (tonight), first game kicks-off at 7-15pm.

GREEN GULLY AJAX v Croydon; SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS v Footscray JUST.

Paul Lewis time his runs well, then he should be able to get in behind the Croydon defence and give keeper Mick Edwards a torrid time.

Ajax should win. To get into the final it must hammer Croydon and pray that JUST and Hellas draw.

But that should be a vain prayer as Hellas looks far too strong for struggling JUST in the second of tonight's games.

Charlie Egan looked razor sharp against Croydon last Friday and could carry on where he left off — with three goals to his credit!

Egan has an excellent chance of ending the Ampol Cup as the series' leading scorer. The 1981 Rothmans and Bill Fleming Medal winner could ask for little better in his start in PSL ranks.

JUST's midfielders constantly seem forced to go square and there's little joy for JUST up front. There's an astonishing lack of direction in JUST's side, without the experienced defence and keeper Dennis Boland, JUST would have little to play for tonight. Still, there's always a chance that the unpredictable can happen and JUST can win. On paper, though Hellas looks the likely challenger for Heidelberg's claim to this year's Ampol Cup.

## Hellas — Hakoah players end strike

The strike at Victorian State League club Hellas-Hakoah is over.

The 15 players who refused to train last week trained last night (Tuesday) under newly-appointed coach Jim Adam.

The players were incensed that former coach Bill Allison wasn't officially notified of his sacking but the Hellas-Hakoah committee has officially apologised to Allison over the fashion in which the matter was handled. The committee also told the three spokesmen for the striking players that no discrimination or re-

prisals would be carried out against them.

Some of the players though, are unlikely to play with Hellas-Hakoah. No doubt the club will transfer list some while others want to move.

Jim Adam will stay as first team coach.



Ajax midfielder Gordon Wallace probably is grimacing in pain, as he played against JUST after a pain-killing injection. Behind him are Dennis Boland and Jim Kondarias.

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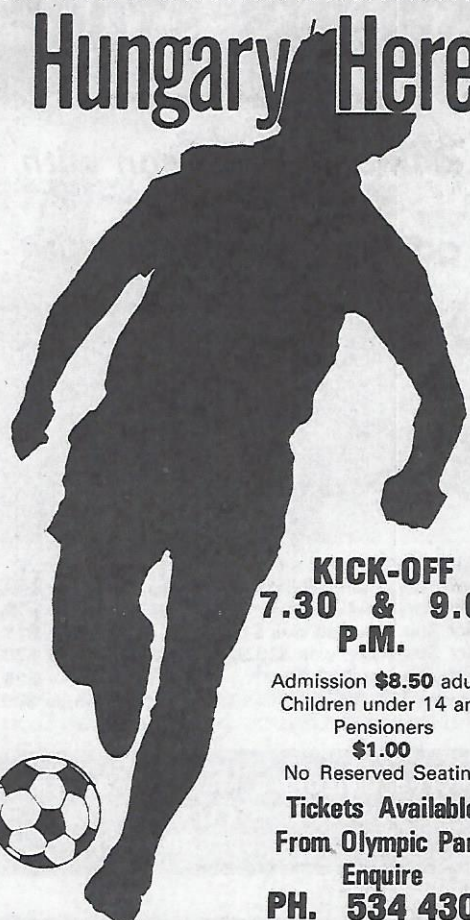
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# Creaky Croatia walloped

Makedonia 4  
Croatia 1

Scorers: Mak.: Ward 17th & 68th, Brown 19th, Whittle 68th; Croatia: Brogan 60th.  
Ground: Olympic Park, Wednesday night.  
Crowd: About 4500 (double-header).  
Referee: Stewart Mellings.

Cautions: McMillan (Mak), Ramljak (Cr).

**MAKEDONIA:** Wilson 6 — Rainey 8, McMillan 7, Flavell 7, Beech 7, — Miranda 7, O'Brien 8, (Kopasina 57th), Whittle 8 — Cullen 8 (Magnano 67th), Ward 8, Brown 8.

**CROATIA:** Kovac 6 — Parton 5, Ramljak 5, Kokoska 8, Adams 8 — Redman 4 (Batinovic 66th), Murphy 6, Golevic 5 — Kuna 4, Brogan 6, Mitten 8.

Verve, energy and action — that's Makedonia in the Ampol Cup! Its aggressive, attacking style and its flamboyant forwards, Rob Cullen, Gary Ward and Doug Brown, have made this team the most entertaining in the competition.

And what about Alan Whittle? We didn't see the best of the former Crystal Palace and Everton star last year, but he had a fire in his gut against Croatia.

As for Croatia — the club now is forced to face harsh reality. Whereas its promising teenagers held their own against Heidelberg, there is no way that Croatia can avoid recruiting quite a few more players if it hopes to retain its traditional place on or near the top of the State League.

It has lost eight players and they're not easy to replace. Eddie Kracevic — providing his transfer is finalised — won't be able to cover the gaps alone.

Makedonia, although it is the most successful team in the Ampol Cup so far, is not yet at full strength. Claude Lucchesi and Ljube Petrovski still are on the sidelines over contract disputes and Georgi Todorovski of Vardar and Graham Fox from Ireland are yet to arrive.

Ward — back after a twice-broken leg — Brown and

Cullen gave the crowd all it hopes to see from a forward line, but they had the overwhelming advantage of a co-operative midfield.

The way Whittle and Peter Ollerton served them with defence-splitting passes was a delight to witness. Richard Miranda, the South African recruit, also showed a lot of promise in midfield.

It was Croatia, however, that took the initiative at the start. Noel Mitten had the best scoring chance during a dynamic opening in which Makedonia was sent reeling.

But a brilliant through ball by Mike Rainey to Doug Brown down the right changed the game. Brown centred quickly to the middle, where Ward was brought down by Steve Kokoska. Makedonia appealed for a penalty but Stewart Mellings turned the appeal down.

A few minutes later Brown brilliantly sidestepped Keith Adams inside the penalty area but clasped his head in his hands in disgust as he saw his kick go across goal.

Makedonia broke through in the 17th minute with a simple but well-worked goal. Ollerton won it in midfield, played it low through the defence for Ward who ran onto it and planted it low past Chris Kovac.

It took only two minutes before Brown shot Makedonia further ahead after latching onto a clearance off the Croatia defence.

Richard Wilson stopped a shot by Dario Kuna — one of the few saves he had to make during this game — before Makedonia swung back into attack, with Rob Cullen out-sprinting Adams but having his shot deflected by Kovac.

Kovac foiled Cullen again after the little winger had dashed away on a pass from Ollerton but Makedonia kept on coming.

A corner by Brown led to the third goal in the 55th minute.

The ball fell for Ward who shot, but Kovac blocked it. Whittle darted in to follow up, and his shot was deflected into goal off Adams' head, snooker-style.

Ward made it 4-0 before Croatia finally broke through, with David Brogan shooting over Wilson who had come too far off his line.

Whittle might have scored a fifth goal had it not been for another clearance off the line by Adams.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

## Dark night for goals king Cole

Heidelberg 1  
Doveton 0

Scorer: Campbell 12th.  
Ground: Olympic Park.  
Crowd: 4500 (double-header).

Referee: Yolland 7.

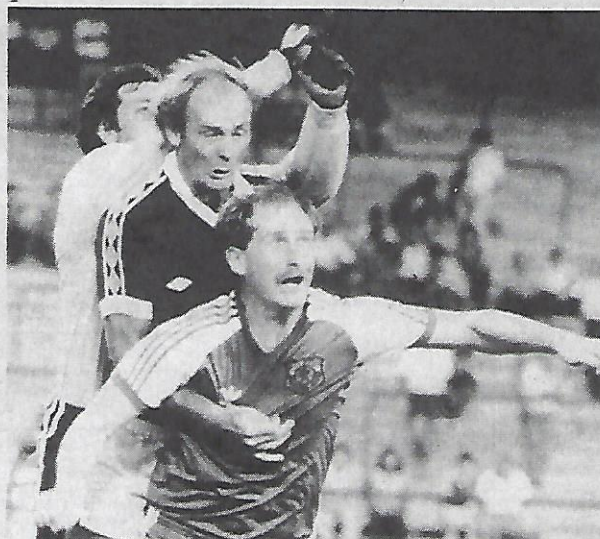
**HEIDELBERG:** Oliver 7 — McMillan 7, Macleod 8, Zschoorn 8, Yankos 7 — Seleznik 7, Taylor 7 (Paton 56th), Rooney 7 — Tasevski 7, Cole 6, Campbell 7.

**DOVETON:** Ivanoff 8 — Eliman 5, Corks 5, Thurlow 5, Roggero 5 — Whitehurst 5, Train 5, Bentley 5, Quin 5, Cherie 6 (Mustapha 56th), Bone 4.

Gary Cole should have notched a hat-trick twice over against a Doveton side which had no answer to the inter-passing, and possession of PSL opponent Heidelberg.

## How they stand

GROUP 'A'		W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Heidelberg	1	1	0	7	13		
JUST	2	1	1	0	3		
Ajax	3	0	2	0	1	2	
Croydon	4	0	0	2	0	7	
GROUP 'B'		W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Heidelberg	1	3	0	0	4	5	
Makedonia	2	0	1	5	4		
Doveton	3	0	1	2	0	1	
Croatia	4	0	1	2	1	5	



Was it a penalty? JUST's Jim O'Reilly (centre) grabs Gus Macleod by the shirt in an Ajax attack. At rear is Dennis Boland. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.

## Walking wounded — that's Ajax!

Ajax 0  
JUST 0

Ground: Olympic Park, Friday night.

Crowd: About 4000.

Cautions: Mihocek (JUST), Vassallo (Ajax).

Referee: Venios 6.

**AJAX:** Denys 7 — Peter Lewis 8, Gardiner 8, Cannell 8, Hogben 8 — Wallace 7, Bennett 7, Vassallo 7, Williams 7 — JUST: Boland 8 — Milne 7, O'Reilly 7, Kondanos 7, Hazabent 7, Curovic 6, Iloski 8, Jovanovic 6 — Kojic 6, Mihocek 6 (Cuzzola 6 H.T.), Lujic 6.

Had Gus Macleod timed his 87th minute leader then Ajax would have embarrassed JUST for the second time in as many years.

Ajax sent JUST tumbling out of the 1980 Phillips Cup.

Since then Ajax's first team squad has improved in quality and depth. Frankly the same can't be said for JUST.

Individual ball skills aren't the sole prerequisite for success. Sure, in players like Zdravko Lujic, Stobodan Jovanovic and Zoran Iloski, JUST has three excellent ball players but Iloski is the only one of the trio prepared to cover acres of ground, always offering himself in support of a team mate under pressure.

Simply stated, Jovanovic looked lazy against Ajax while Lujic wasn't keen on mixing it with big Peter Lewis. You can't really blame him though. There's no fiercer competitor than the aggressive Ajax right back. His tackling intimidates countless opponents.

Ajax's organisation was far greater than JUST's the last Friday night. Indeed Ajax was unlucky not to score yet the State League champion took to the field with four injured players.

Gordon Wallace injured an arm at training and played out

the full 70 minutes with the arm bent and held to his side. Obviously Wallace was in pain, probably through the jarring effects of running. He needed two pain killers before the match but he still labored. The fact that he refused to be substituted was a testament to his strength of character and commitment to Ajax's cause.

Peter Lewis was another who needed painkillers. He pinched a nerve in his back and was unable to train on the Tuesday before the match.

Alan Bennett was suffering from food poisoning contracted earlier in the week while John Gardiner was suffering from an injured groin for the second Ampol Cup match running.

The walking wounded though, took the match right up to their PSL opponent and had three good chances to score.

The first fell to Wallace, clean through in the 7th minute, but he hammered the ball well over the bar from about 12 metres.

Paul Lewis burst away from his opponents in the 54th minute. Macleod had taken up a great position square of Lewis but the blond Ajax striker preferred to strike at goal. He shot a couple of metres wide.

The best chance of the game fell to Macleod who mistimed his attempt to head home Alan Bennett's cross from the left.

Minutes earlier Macleod clearly appeared to be fouled at the near post as he tried to make contact with a Wallace corner. Jim O'Reilly had grabbed Macleod's strip, pushing him into the bargain. Referee Venios was no more than 10 metres away yet waved play on.

JUST had little to offer up from the defence. It desperately needs the services of a top class central striker. Milan Kojic, who played with Northcote last year, has yet to prove that he can play a big part in JUST's PSL fortunes.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE



Makedonia's Alan Whittle (left) moves onto a pass from team-mate Doug Brown. At right are Croatia defenders Danny Ramljak and Ned Batinovic.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

## LATIF SIGNS TWICE, CROATIA NEED

Doveton 0  
Croatia 0

Ground: Middle Park, Sunday.  
Crowd: About 5500.

Referee: Fearn 8.

**DOVETON:** Ivanoff 7 — Hulak 5, Thurlow 7, Corks 7, Train 8, Connolly 7, Bentley 6 (Eliman 60th), McIvor 6 — Cherie 6, Whitehurst 6, Quin 6.

**CROATIA:** Pughlase 7 — Parton 7, Kokoska 8, Redman 7, Adams 8 — Ramljak 6, Murphy 6, Golevic 6 — Kuna 6 (Mitten 50th), Brogan 6, Keenan 6 (Batinovic 50th).

The message to the Croatia committee now is loud and clear — when you transfer list six first-team players, four of whom have played for Victoria, then make sure you have top flight replacements signed, noted and delivered.

That message was transmitted forcefully by Makedonia's resounding 4-1 thrashing of Croatia last Wednesday. Doveton simply emphasised the point on Sunday.

If the current philosophy of Croatia is to play promising youngsters then it can forget about winning the 1982 State League championship.

Replacements for Peter Blasby, Joe Tront, Steve Short, Paddy Bannan, Alan Kerr and Carl Gilder are on the way but if Croatia is to recover former glories then these replacements better arrive soon.

The club still is negotiating with Marconi for Soccerco striker Eddie Kracevic. Negotiations lapsed until Marconi was threatened with legal action and the realisation that the ASF tribunal may set a figure on Kracevic lower than Marconi could get by dealing directly with Croatia.

Makedonia midfielder Jeff Faulkner becomes a Croatia player today (Wednesday). The ASF tribunal set Faulkner's transfer fee at \$5000, half of what Makedonia was asking. Makedonia appealed but found out that it had no right of appeal. Croatia simply lodged Faulkner's registration papers at Soccer House last Wednesday and after seven days elapse he becomes a Croatia player for the figure set by the ASF tribunal.

Croatia also is confident of signing Croydon's Paul Wade after the Ampol Cup series. Wade apparently has a \$1000 maximum transfer fee clause in his contract with Croydon so it seems to be a matter of which club can offer the talented youngster the best terms.

Two more Croatian imports are on the way. They are following in the footsteps of recent signing Darko Kuna.

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## Three-goal Egan dazzles in first game for Hellas

**Hellas 6  
Croydon 0**

Goals: Evans 1st, Egan 7th, 10th and 60th, Buljevic 16th, Stevenson 56th.  
Ground: Olympic Park, Friday.  
Crowd: about 4500.

Referee: Dennis Voutsinas 8.  
**SOUTH MELBOURNE: HELLAS:**  
Lunnetis 6, Nicolaidis 6, Lutton 7, Xanthopoulos 6, Shirra 7 — Stevenson 8, Davidson 7, Turner 6 (Campbell 6 half time) — Egan 9, Evans 7, Buljevic 7.  
**CROYDON CITY:** Edwards 5 — Brown 5, Shannon 5, McCombe 4, Hobson 6 — Wade 7, Liu 4, Bakker 4 — P. Loughnane 5, Wright 4, Cox 4.

Goals by Alun Evans in the first minute and Charlie Egan in the seventh knocked the heart out of Croydon's young team, and Hellas went on to score four more, even without playing particularly well.

In simple terms, Hellas was left with nothing to beat.

At least the crowd saw plenty of goals and a stylish performance by Charlie Egan, the Victorian 1981 Rothmans Medalist transferred from Frankston for \$6000 late last year.

Egan showed off his uncanny ability to get past opponents at close quarters, and delighted the Hellas crowd with his rare goalscoring flair. Evans's goal probably was the simplest of the match. He accepted a pass from Branko Buljevic at the edge of the penalty area and was instantly amazed that no Croydon opponent was within yards of him. Shrugging his shoulders, he just drove the ball low past Mick Edwards and turned for the restart.

Six minutes later, Evans played a through ball to Egan who weaved around Edwards and put the second goal into the empty net.

It was his first goal for Hellas — in his first full game!

Egan could have scored again on a through ball from Socrates Nicolaidis, but this time Edwards was there to block him. But the Hellas midfield found itself with virtually no opposition, apart from Paul Wade's efforts. Grant Turner, who was to go off at half time, found space for another through ball to Egan whose shot went in for the third goal, although Edwards did manager to get one hand to it.

Alan Davidson tried a long-range drive in the 18th minute and when Edwards only parried it, Buljevic was there to follow it into the net for the fourth. Davidson and Buljevic had combined for the same sort of goal against Ajax.

John Stevenson volleyed the fifth goal from 25 metres after a centre from George Campbell and Egan completed his hat-trick in the 60th minute from a pass from Stevenson. Again the shot went in off Edwards's groping hand.

— LAURIE SCHWAB



LES SHORROCK's picture series shows Charlie Egan scoring his first goal for Hellas. From top left: He takes off, he slides past Croydon goalkeeper Mick Edwards, he heads towards the net, steadies, and (above), slides it home past Steve McCombe.

## Bergerers unbeaten — now for the final

**Heidelberg 2  
Makedonia 0**

Scorers: Campbell 43rd, Taylor 53rd.  
Ground: Middle Park, Sunday.

Crowd: About 5500.  
Referee: Chris Bambridge 7.  
Cautions: Whittle (Mak), Yankos (H), A. McMillan (H), Flavell (Mak).

**HEIDELBERG:** Oliver 7 — A. McMillan 8, Yzendoorn 9, MacLeod 8, Yankos 8 — Selemdis 9, Taylor 8, Campbell 8, Rooney 8 — Paton 6, Cole 7.  
**MAKEDONIA:** Wilson 6.  
Rainey 8, G. McMillan 8, Flavell 6, Beech 7 — Boyle 6, Ollerton 6, Whittle 7 (Miranda 62nd) — Cullen 6 (Magnano 62nd), Ward 6, Brown 7.

Heidelberg will win the Ampol Cup. That was the confident prediction of coach Len McKendry after his team's faultless defence had paved the way for a dashing victory over Makedonia.

In the earlier rounds, Makedonia had been the most impressive team in the competition, but Peter Ollerton's men found to their disappointment that there's a big difference between playing against Croatia and Heidelberg.

Makedonia needed only a draw to qualify for the final, as it had a better goal difference than Heidelberg, but surprisingly, it was Heidelberg that adopted a cautious stance, taking out Tom Tasevski and playing Jim Campbell deep, thus leaving Gary Cole and Jamie Paton as the only two strikers.

Doug Brown, Rob Cullen and Gary Ward, who relish

running at opponents, rarely were given that opportunity by the Heidelberg defenders, who closed down like lightning.

And Makedonia was beaten in midfield as well, even though Peter Boyle was back for his first Ampol Cup match, after agreeing to move permanently to Melbourne instead of commuting from Adelaide as he did last season.

Jimmy Rooney had an intriguing battle with Alan Whittle who had played so well against Croatia, and it was Rooney who came out on top in the second half, thus leaving Makedonia completely devastated in midfield.

Only Mike Rainey and George McMillan were comparable in deed and attitude to the determined Heidelberg players.

South Melbourne Hellas is likely to be Heidelberg's opponent in the final next Wednesday night, but McKendry is not worried by the prospect of having to face up to the Hellas stars.

In fact, McKendry admitted to having seen Hellas only once this year.

"With the players I've got, what do I have to be worried about?" he said.

"We've gone 12 games without defeat now. The last loss was to Sydney Olympic last August."

"We'll just work on holding possession and doing as much as possible with the possession

we have. The most important thing is that the Heidelberg-Hellas final is the one everyone wanted."

Asked whether he would take particular action to stop Charlie Egan who scored a hat-trick against Croydon last week, McKendry said: "No, we're not worried by any individual player."

He praised his right flank of Arthur McMillan, Theo Selemdis and Jim Campbell, asserting that they had been clear winners against Makedonia.

He also complimented John Yzendoorn's fine play as sweeper, Theo Selemdis's and Ken Taylor's work in midfield, and Don MacLeod's success in clearing a number of very dangerous high balls which otherwise may have swung the game the other way.

Heidelberg looked like scoring as early as the second minute when Gary Cole sprinted past George McMillan on a long ball from Arthur McMillan. Cole chipped it square to Jamie Paton whose header was saved one-handed by Richard Wilson. Ken Taylor followed up, Rainey stopped it with what appeared to be the top of his arm, but referee Chris Bambridge overruled the appeal for a penalty.

Moments later Wilson had to dart out quickly to block a shot by Rooney with his foot.

The first of many physical clashes occurred soon after-

wards, with Gary Ward requiring treatment to a knock to the leg. Heidelberg goalkeeper Jeff Oliver also copped a bad knock in a clash with Ward.

Then Cole went down after a tussle with George McMillan, and both Whittle and Charlie Yankos were shown the yellow card over an incident on the touchline.

Rooney received treatment just after half time after a clash with Rob Cullen as Heidelberg prepared for its first goal.

Theo Selemdis inspired that goal, with a good run down the right, past the outstretched leg of George McMillan. Selemdis centred it quickly to Campbell who was left unmarked to head it in past Wilson.

The goal was greeted by a shower of beer cans from the grandstand. Campbell picked one up in contempt and poured it over his head.

Taylor worked the second goal brilliantly. He delayed while team-mates ran back onside, then played a one-two with Cole and slammed a 20-metre shot inside the post, with Wilson groping thin air.

Wilson reacted quickly however in coming out to block Selemdis who ran past Gordon Flavell a few minutes later as Heidelberg finished the game in total command.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

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## HELP

Polonia claims the youngster has with it and received part of his fee. Croatia claims he's a player. Latif's club Kellor Austria edly has agreed with Croatia to a transfer fee for the talented young-

some senior Croatia players are un-They claim they've been underpaid Ampol Cup.

re's little to divulge about Sunday's scoreless draw. Connelly did well for Doveton but rain was its best player by far. Steve ka and Keith Adams were Croatia's

often both sides broke down on the of the opposition's area. Rival's Lou Ivanoff and Elvio Pugliese tie to do.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE



Gary Ward, scorer of two goals in Makedonia's 4-1 victory over Croatia, loses an aerial duel to Danny Ramiljak.





# SOCCER AROUND THE WORLD

## Crisis in Britain, Alan Ball killed



From JIM COOK  
our European  
correspondent

British soccer, which had a six-week battle with the Arde conditions when the game was pushed to the brink of extinction, now faces a colossal back-log of fixtures and unbelievable losses by the clubs which may send some into oblivion.

The situation is desperate and made worse by the fact this current season was two weeks later than normal in kicking off and of course the World Cup commitments of England, Scotland and Northern Ireland add to the serious congestion of fixtures which may result in clubs having to play twice a week to get through the league programme. Jammed in between are the F.A. and League Cups as well as the involvement in the European competitions for several sides.

Of the financial situation: So many clubs and not only the minnows are in desperate straits. Top club and UEFA Cup holder Ipswich Town has gone into the red for the first time in a decade with a reported weekly wage bill of near \$40,000. Greenock Morton in the Scottish Premier League was compelled to sell its star defender, 22-year-old Neil Orr, to West Ham for \$80,000 to keep soccer alive at Cappielow Park, Halifax Town and Oxford United have been bailed out by millionaires Sam Rorke and Robert Maxwell. Norwich City has been forced to cut back its playing staff from 32 to 24 and given several experienced first team players free transfers and with few exceptions in England, clubs could rather face Al Capone than their bank managers.

Scottish clubs in general are not affected to the same extent as those in England. Playing before sparse crowds, are better organised for income outside the turnstiles, are much cannyer with players wages and overheads and don't indulge in paying over-valued prices for average players. In fact, as the Morton transfer of Orr indicates, the Scottish clubs invariably can sell a player at what for a big price, almost any club south of the border.

Finally, there can be doubts about the survival of the game in Britain apart from the astronomical damage the snow and ice has caused. But it may lead to some reformation and reconstruction in which only the most efficient and fittest will survive.

Justin Fashanu has an unusual hobby outside of soccer. Since joining Nottingham Forest from Norwich City he collected 22 parking tickets outside the hotel he stayed at in Nottingham.

Win or lose in the World Cup finals in Spain, Argentine's chain-smoking coach Cesar Menotti is likely to quit the game and take up journalism.

In its rankings for the 1984 European Championships, the "France Football" magazine ranks England in lowly 15th spot. The Championship will be held in France.

Dynamo Kiev's home European Cup fixture with Aston Villa may be switched to Tashkent on the Russia/China border as Kiev's ground is usually unplayable in the harsh winter.

The World Cup finals are estimated to pull in around \$140 million for FIFA. England, Scotland and Northern Ireland can expect to net around \$1.7 million just for being there and if they reach the second stage then the take-home pay could be \$2.7 million each. Ticket sales are expected to yield \$66 million. TV rights have already been sold for \$22 million while the marketing of emblems etc is expected to realise \$14 million.

West Ham spent \$80,000 each for Belgian midfielder international Francois van der Elst and Morton defender Neil Orr whose father was also a star player with the Greenock side. Dave Watson the displaced England central defender moved from Southampton to Stoke City for a paltry \$100,000. Norwich City paid West Bromwich Albion \$400,000 for striker John Deehan and Everton splashed out \$1.4 million on Stoke City's Under 21 England striker Adrian Heath.

If England's hopes in the World Cup finals there are suggestions the entire squad

should be transported to Tassie which would boost its prospects of getting into the PSL.

Australian soccer stock is now at a low ebb in UK following New Zealand's success in reaching the World Cup finals. How did the unknown Kiwis manage to put one over on the Aussies is the question I have been asked by several of my soccer-writing colleagues in London, Manchester and Glasgow.

Northern Ireland World Cup players are bitter at getting only \$120,000 between them as their share-out for getting their country to Spain.

Danny McGrain, the Celtic and Scotland skipper who broke his leg against Partick Thistle in September, recently made a comeback and reckons he will be fully fit for Spain.

Alan Ball, senior father of Southampton and former England star, who had managed Halmstad and Preston, was killed in a car smash at Larnaca Airport in Cyprus on his way to take over as manager of league side Evagoras.

Ian Bowry sold by Nottingham Forest to Sunderland last year for \$500,000 rejoined Brian Clough's side for \$80,000. Clough is back in action after his heart attack scare.

Franz Beckenbauer will retire at the end of this season and plans are in hand for West Germany to play Rest of the World for his testimonial in the Volksparkstadion Hamburg on June 1. Beckenbauer intends going into journalism.

F.A. Cup-Holders Tottenham Hotspur will lose its two Argentine World Cup stars Ossie Ardiles and Ricky Villa for 10 weeks before the end of the season when they join Cesar Menotti's squad in preparation for Spain.

The Football League in England has agreed to give full consideration to the PFA's proposal for a limit on transfer fees.

Don Howe, the Arsenal chief coach, has been confirmed as the successor to Bill Taylor who died in November as right hand man to Ron Greenwood's England World Cup side.

Doncaster Rovers, managed by Billy Bremner, have lost two first team players in a fortnight with broken legs although they haven't played competitive matches for several weeks through the frost and snow. Carl Swann and Ian Nimmo both copped their fractures in raining slush.

England and France have cancelled their friendly international scheduled for Paris on March 24 after the two countries were drawn in the same World Cup group.

## Loss without Maradona

With the World Cup finals just nine months away, holder Argentina suffered a shock 1-2 defeat in Buenos Aires at the hands of Poland.

The Argentines were without star midfielder Diego Maradona, who was faigued by a strenuous programme undertaken by his club Boca Juniors. Bereft of their inspiration, the South Americans succumbed to goals by Buncol and Boninelli, taking the lead through their captain Daniel Passarella. This was their first home loss since Italy gained a 1-0 win during the early stages of the 1978 World Cup finals.

A month earlier the Poles had been comprehensively beaten by West Germany in Warsaw.

At this stage the Germans and Brazil stand as co-favorites for the tournament in Spain but with the return of Maradona and the Argentine-domiciled Osvaldo Ardiles, Argentina will once again be a contender for Soccer's greatest prize.

— PAUL MOON

# BAYERN TOP BET FOR THE BIG CUP

The inconsistency and goalkeeping woes of holder Liverpool have rendered West German champion Bayern Munich favorite by default for this season's European Champions' Cup, but Russia's Dynamo Kiev also is a legitimate contender.

Bayern has been favored by a kind quarter-final draw which pairs it with Universitatea Craiova of Rumania. Rumanian soccer has been in a state of despair since its shock elimination from the World Cup and there is little to suggest that Craiova will lift the gloom by defeating Rummenigge, Bretnere and Co.

Kiev, which forms the backbone of the successful Soviet national side, appears to be the biggest threat to the Bavarians, despite the fact that they have been anything but convincing in the earlier rounds.

There can be no doubting the pedigree of the Russian champions though, and the feeling in many quarters is

that this could be Dynamo's year for the long-awaited breakthrough.

Aston Villa is likely to provide resilient opposition, but few would dispute the overall superiority of the Ukrainian team, whose main worry will be that the tie is staged when the Russian season has only just recommenced and they probably will not be at peak fitness.

Similarly, CSKA Sofia finds itself disadvantaged against Liverpool. At the same stage last season the Anfield Reds recorded a comprehensive 6-1 win over the Bulgarian army team. This time the margin probably will be less but it will be a major surprise if the Englishmen don't advance.

The Anderlecht v. Red Star Belgrade clash is the most difficult to predict. Anderlecht has emerged as the popular "dark horse" after its stirring win over Juventus, while Red Star must be the strongest club never to win a major European trophy. Unfortunately that situation is unlikely to be rectified this season.

The Tottenham Hotspur v. Eintracht Frankfurt clash stands out as the most intriguing ties of the European Cup Winners' Cup draw.

Spurs' quest for European glory has gained credibility with Ray Clemence's presence in goal, but they still find consistency beyond them.

In contrast, Eintracht has been to the forefront of Bundesliga soccer for the past decade. It boasts seven internationalists in its line up, including Cha Bum Kevn, the

Korean, and is capable of stretching any team.

Only a fool would predict the outcome of its one with any confidence.

The other three pairings appear to be more clear-cut but holder Dynamo Tbilisi, Barcelona and Standard Liege should eliminate Legia Warsaw, Lokomotive Leipzig and Oporto respectively without too many difficulties.

In the UEFA Cup, the pairing of Real Madrid and Kaiserslautern is the obvious highlight.

Real Madrid, runner-up in last season's Champions' Cup, is a perpetual giant whilst its opponent demands respect by virtue of finishing fourth in the 1980-81 West German First Division, indisputably the strongest in Europe.

Kaiserslautern, without a major trophy success since 1953, has not been quite so impressive this term, due largely to the prolonged absence of Swedish international goalkeeper Ronnie Hellstrom through a broken shoulder.

Hellstrom should have recovered in time to face Real, thus adding further spice to the confrontation.

Unfortunately the other three ties look to be comparatively mundane. SV Hamburg will have little difficulty in dismissing Neuchatel Xamax of Switzerland, which is involved in its first season of European football.

Likewise the failure of Valencia, which has appeared in four previous European finals, to account for Swedish part-timers IFK Goteborg, would be ranked as one of the greatest shocks the Cup has produced.

The fourth encounter, between Dundee United and Radnicki Nis, merely will determine which makes up the numbers for the semi finals, as neither comes into the reckoning when considering eventual winners of the trophy.

The full draw for the EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS' CUP:

Liverpool (England) v. CSKA Sofia (Bulgaria),  
Aston Villa (England) v. Dynamo Kiev (USSR),  
Bayern Munich (West

Germany) v. Universitatea Craiova (Rumania),  
Anderlecht (Belgium) v. Red Star Belgrade (Yugoslavia),  
EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP

Tottenham Hotspur (England) v. Eintracht Frankfurt (W. Germany),  
Dynamo Tbilisi (USSR) v. Legia Warsaw (Poland),  
Standard Liege (Belgium) v. Oporto (Portugal),  
UEFA CUP

Dundee United (Scotland) v. Radnicki Nis (Yugoslavia),  
Real Madrid (Spain) v. Kaiserslautern (West Germany),  
SV Hamburg (West Germany) v. Neuchatel Xamax (Switzerland),  
Valencia (Spain) v. IFK Goteborg (Sweden).

(The ties take place on the mornings of March 4 and 17 Australian time.)

## Houseman to Huracan

Rene Houseman, whose on-off transfer to Sydney City was as boring as it was prolonged, has returned to his former club Huracan after serving less than nine months of his contract with River Plate.

Although he has not played for it since June, River Plate was still responsible for his wages and with its debts estimated at a staggering \$21 million, the club naturally was anxious to get rid of this white elephant.

Therefore, when Huracan bid for international winger Oscar Ortiz, River stipulated that Houseman be included in the deal. Therefore Huracan paid a bargain \$45,000 for Ortiz and regained the services of the ex-World Cup star for nothing.

Reports from Argentina indicate that Houseman still is shirking training and is grossly unfit.

In the circumstances City coach Eddie Thomson perhaps can be thankful that the Argentinian did not materialise in Australia after all. And the Sydney club didn't do too badly without him did it?

— PAUL MOON

## My, how times have changed!

By WALTER PLESS

How the mighty have fallen! Preston North End, one of England's oldest clubs and the first ever league champion, is finding itself struggling against relegation to the fourth division. The week after it sacked Tommy Docherty, in early December 1981, the club registered its lowest ever home attendance for a league match. A mere 4182 turned up to see Preston lose 3-1 to Brentford.

The English League first started on September 8, 1888 and, interestingly enough, the points system then was not decided upon until November 21, more than two months after the League had commenced. The League table at the conclusion of the first season read:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Preston	22	18	4	0	74	15	40
Aston Villa	22	12	5	5	61	43	29
Blackburn	22	10	6	6	66	45	26
Bolton	22	10	2	10	63	59	22
West Bromwich	22	10	2	10	40	49	22
Accrington	22	6	8	8	48	48	20
Everton	22	9	2	11	35	46	20
Burnley	22	7	3	12	42	62	17
Derby County	22	7	2	13	41	60	16
Notts County	22	5	2	15	39	73	12
Stoke	22	4	4	14	36	61	12

Of these teams, Preston and Burnley are languishing at the bottom of the Third Division today, while Bolton, Derby County and Blackburn are finding life tough in the Second.

Everton, West Bromwich Albion, Stokes, Aston Villa (champion in 1980-81, runner-up in 1988-89), Wolves and Notts County find themselves grouped together at the wrong end of the First Division.

The remaining team from that first League competition, Accrington, found another answer to the hard times, a final solution. They went out of existence in 1982!

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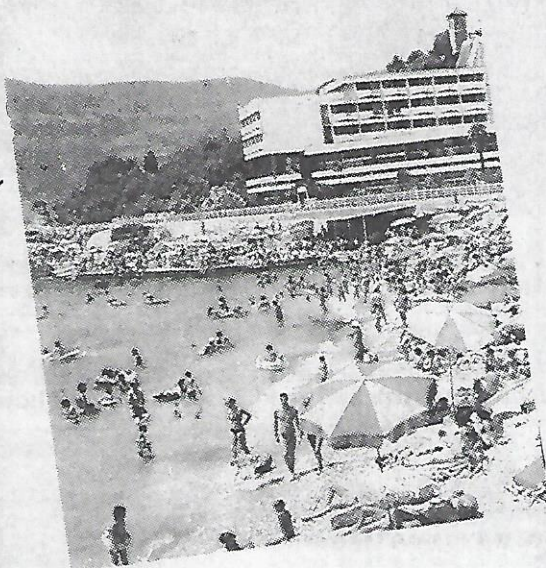
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# Lou Ivanoff — suspended for attacking a door!

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Lou Ivanoff's had more clubs than Arnold Palmer, made more comebacks than Muhammad Ali and was suspended for 12 months in the late 60s for maliciously attacking a dressing room door at Olympic Park's main ground.

No, the Doveton goalkeeper doesn't give us irrevocable evidence in support of the age old credo that all keepers are mad.

Rather, Ivanoff is a down-to-earth, level headed lover of the game. He takes his goalkeeping seriously, so much so, that he's planning to go into business on a full-time basis as a goalkeeping trainer.

Not yet though. He still is negotiating a new contract with Doveton, yet admits that he'd like nothing better than to be part of a PSL squad. "But at my age (36), I don't think it's possible to get back into the PSL," he conceded.

Ivanoff was born in Greece and came to Western Australia when he was four. He lived in a country town and turned up at a local soccer match one day and got a run. "I was a brilliant right back in them days, mate," he quipped.

"I played in the country for about two years before moving to Perth with my family. My cousins were playing with Olympic's Juniors and I joined them."

"The day our keeper said that he was transferring to the country was the day that I became a keeper. I had played Aussie Rules before, so the coach figured that I'd be able to catch the ball."

"I had my first go in the seniors when I was 15 and the following year I played in the firsts for about three quarters of the season. "It was at Olympic that I was taught everything I know about goalkeeping by our coach, a former Red Star player, Mr Nikolic."

"He would spend a fair while training me while the other players were playing a game among themselves and he used to say that within six weeks of using his routines a goalkeeper could improve by anything up to about 40 percent."

"That's a philosophy I've adhered to since. I still use his ideas and I think I can improve any young keeper within that time. If you're not fit and out of touch you can find it all coming back after doing his routines for six weeks."

Honors came thick and fast in the west as the young Ivanoff's reputation blossomed. He captained the state under-19s at a national carnival and represented the senior state side against a host of touring overseas clubs. Perhaps the greatest honor of all was when he lined up in goal for an Australian XI against crack Russian outfit Moscow Torpedo in 1965. The Russians won 2-0 and the Australian line-up was: Ivanoff — Stojanovic, van Blerk — Morson, Paap, Simpson — McMeecan, Reid, Malloy, Ireson, Stanivovic.

VSE life member Theo Marmaras was president of South Melbourne Hellas during that era and arranged for Ivanoff to come to Melbourne but Ivanoff's parents objected believing that their son was too young to go so far from home.

About a year later though, Ivanoff was on the move.

"I had an accident at work and my foot was in plaster for eight weeks. Round about that time I was toying with the idea of going to the UK for a holiday with friends but I decided to give Melbourne a go instead. I regarded Victoria as the home of Australian soccer and on the spur of the moment I decided to try my luck. Preston Makenzie had been in touch with me and I made up my mind to join them."

"The season was about to start in Melbourne and I had another week to wait before the plaster could be removed from my ankle. I couldn't wait. I went down to the garage at which I was working and cut the plaster off myself, hopped and flew across."

"It was bloody freezing when I first arrived. I turned up at Preston's old ground in Collier Street and arranged to meet the committee the following Thursday at a club in Fitzroy. I was staying in Coburg and didn't know my way around. Believe it or not I left for my meeting with the committee at 7pm on Thursday and arrived at the club at 12 midnight. I'd got lost and was terrified in such a large, new city."

"Johnny Marks was the first choice keeper at Preston but was injured after about four weeks. I took over for six weeks before I was suspended for a year after a game against Juventus."

"A riot broke out between the spectators, and the players escorted referee Joe Bartolo off the pitch. One of our supporters was taken into the referee's room by the police and they were working him over. I just can't stand anything like that so I broke the door off its hinges and demanded to know what was going on. I told the police not to bash up the supporter. Then other supporters came into the room and the guy who the police had arrested got away only to be caught once more outside the dressing rooms."

"I was charged with maliciously attacking a door. The club was fined \$1000 and placed on a \$1000 good behaviour bond. I was suspended for 12 months. We also had to pay \$104 for the repair of the door. We appealed against the decision but my suspension wasn't lifted."

"The whole thing was very unfair and the tribunal should have taken my young age into consideration. Anyway, what I did had nothing to do with soccer. I acted as a person, not as a player."

"I could even have got away with no charge laid because I was half undressed at the time but I made the mistake of putting my goalkeeping jersey back on. That was all that was needed to identify me."

"Preston had a hard time that year. In my opinion the authorities wanted the club out of the State League and that's exactly what happened. We were relegated."

"When my suspension ended I couldn't come to terms with Preston so I gave the game away for another year. The club wanted about \$2000 for me which was ridiculous seeing that it didn't cost a penny to get me here from Western Australia."

"By this stage I hadn't played for two years but I was determined to play State League soccer. When I left Perth I was told that I'd be back like the rest of them, a reference to Perth players who had gone to Victoria and hadn't made it. That spurred me on. I joined George Cross in 1970 for \$800."

"Joe Bartolo, the referee involved in my 12 months suspension, was the George Cross secretary. I said to him: 'You are a strange bloke. You get me suspended for 12 months then you buy me.' But there wasn't any real animosity between us."

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LOU IVANOFF (left), then of Mooroolbark, in action against Heidelberg's Pat Bannon (centre). At left is Mooroolbark's Nick Lowe.

## KASTNER, O'HARA COULDN'T KEEP LOU OUT

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ridiculous. You're out there playing against a guy and you can see that he's not having a good game. Then you pick up the paper and read how well he played. You feel that the reporter has been at a different game. It's incredible how inept the soccer press is here.

"There's simply not enough good reporters. Too often reports are twisted away from the truth."

"I've never had a good go in the press. Other keepers have been glamorised and pushed for representative honors. I'm not bitter though, I just can't stand bullshit in the papers."

"My aim this season, if I play in the State League, is to let in less goals than I did last year. In fact I tried to centre my contract around a goals against record but the club wouldn't be in it. If Doveton had agreed I would be well in front over the past couple of years."

"I'm going to keep playing for as long as I can. Maybe when my playing days are over I'll get involved in coaching keepers on a full time basis. There's just not enough good goalkeeping coaches about. In fact, there's not many good keepers in the State League. That's why the standards aren't improving."

Asked to name his best team, from team mates and opponents throughout the 60s and 70s, Ivanoff came up with the following line-up: Ivanoff — Derek Ricks, Norm Maitland, Steve Walker, Keith Adams — John Sanchez, Kevin Walker — Arnold Peat, Ernie Merrick, Jim Armstrong, Rob Cullen.

Ivanoff didn't want to pick himself in this side, a measure of the humility which seems light years away from the man supporters watch tearing off fearlessly at opponents to clear from in front of goal.

While opposition forwards sometimes cringe at the sight of the charging Doveton keeper, ground administrators need no longer fear. Their dressing room doors are safe!

"Anyway, some of the match reports you read are



Ernie Merrick — will be a great coach



Hammy McMeecan — one of Ivanoff's team mates against Moscow Torpedo

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Rob Cullen — made Ivanoff's all-star team.

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South Melbourne Heiles truly is one of the glamor teams of Australian soccer. After a Victorian campaign which netted seven State League titles (73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79), the Docterys cups (74, 76) and three Ampol Cups (80, 79, 78), the club entered the national first PSL in 1981. Fortunes have waxed and waned higher this year, but by finishing second in 1982, the club has achieved its highest status and captured the title which has eluded Melbourne based PSL clubs. Past stars include Jim Armstrong, Jim Macleay, Steve Walker, Mike Mandella, John Kemperopoulos, Andreas Rousalis, Pete Nardicci, Con Nardicci, John Nardicci, John Bedford, Mike Pave and Jim Pavopolos.

**BACK ROW:** Jim Shirra (from Dundee 1951), Bertie Lutton (Sydney City Hakoah, 1978), Socrates Nicolaides (NZ), Benito Bulvaco (Heldsburg-Alexander, 1950), Grant Turner (Glasgow City, NZ, 1962), Steve Brown (Sydney City Hakoah, 1958), Alan Evans (Walsall, England, 1978), Arthur Xanthopoulos (Juniata), Alan Davidson (Aldons City 1979), Peter Laumeta (Makedonia, 1978).

**INSET:** Left to right: Steve Blair (Aldons Rovers, 1980), George Campbell (Aberdeen, 1978).



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# Melb. to move, Kew merges

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

**Metro First Division club Kew City has been strengthened by its merger with the Melbourne branch of the Glasgow Celtic Supporters' Club.**

Kew incurred a debt of about \$3,000 from last year which has been covered by the merger and the club is confident of promotion to the State League in 1982.

Hugh Murney has been retained as coach with Joe Docherty as team manager. Pat McElhinney has returned for about \$200 from Morwell Falcons and the club is keen to sign David Webb from Prahran City, Paul Priestley from Knox and Nunawading City's Tom O'Halloran. Most of last year's first team squad has been retained.

Morwell Falcons officially will open new social rooms on Saturday, February 28.

The opening day programme kicks-off at 10.30 am with a junior clash between Falcons' under-16's and Doveton under-16's. The official noon luncheon will be followed by a game between Falcons' reserves and a Latrobe Valley select, then the main game at 3.30 pm between Falcons' first team and the Victorian youth squad.

Bill Murray has been appointed for a third term as coach of Box Hill and former Alexander, Juventus and Frankston midfielder Keith Webster has crossed from Knox as Murray's assistant.

Ian Darlington has been transferred in his job to Echuca and Micky Valentine likely will sign with Heidelberg — Alexander.

Ian Roodhouse, Don Brownlie, Ray Taylor, Donovan Lawler, Noel Cupido and Ian McLeod are back in training along with evergreen Graham Morgan.

State Leaguer Croydon is interested in signing Scott Patterson but the young striker may stay with the Hillmen.

The local council is re-draining Wembley Park at a cost of almost \$25,000.

Melbourne, under new coach Danny McMinnee, is determined to regain its First Division status.

The Second Division outfit is keen to sign Croatia midfielder Howard Andrews, Doveton's Jim Train and Gordon Bentley, defender John Luyten from Ringwood Wilhelmina and goalkeeper Terry Hawke who was rumored to be joining Sunshine from Juventus.

Striker Danny Ward is in England trialling with Crystal Palace but is expected to arrive back shortly.

Melbourne will move in 1983 to a permanent home in Williamstown. Construction of new

facilities at J.T. Gray Reserve in Kororoit Creek Road will begin in March this year and continue over a five year period.

The first stage of development of these new facilities involves fencing and laying down a first class playing surface.

The second stage involves building modern facilities for players, referees and supporters. This encompasses four spacious dressing rooms.

A luxurious licensed clubroom will follow and the project will be completed with the building of a grandstand with a seating capacity close to 4,000.

Melbourne is indebted to Williamstown council and the club hopes that the success of the pending Hungary and Yugoslavia tours will help augment the financial aspects of such an ambitious development scheme.

Newly promoted Third Division clubs Mornington and Sunbury have lost little time in gearing for the coming season.

Former Altona City and Frankston City midfielder David Cooper has been appointed player-coach of Mornington and the club has retained all of last year's first team.

Cooper wants to sign Bob Adams from Frankston City, Goran Runje from Dandenong and keeper Bill Whiteside from Falcons.

Mornington's life president and founder member, Del Lines, is highly optimistic about the club's chances of success in 1982.

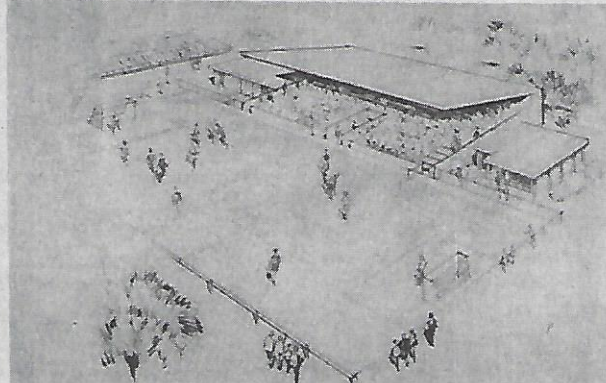
"If we get the players that we are interested in then there's no doubt in my mind that we'll win the Third Division this year," said Lines.

George Train has been re-appointed for the third time as player-coach of Sunbury.

The club has won promotion in three of the past four seasons and Train is negotiating with Albion Rovers for defender Gordon Stevens.

Striker Dave McCulloch, formerly of Altona City, has come out of retirement and English midfielder Brendan Costello has signed.

Sunbury's \$200,000 social rooms will be completed by the start of the season. The rooms, overlooking the club's home ground, boast seating for almost 300 supporters.



An artist's impression of Melbourne's new headquarters in Williamstown.

## RINGWOOD WANTS ANXIOUSLY, VSF BOARD TOO

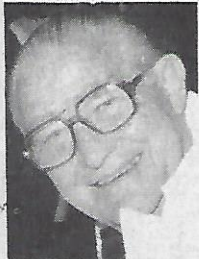
The fate of Victorian State League club Ringwood-Wilhelmina still is in the balance.

The Dutch sponsored club was found guilty of playing an ineligible player, Brian Sinclair, in three of last year's league games and the loss of points from those games will push Ringwood down to second last spot, saving previously relegated Juventus from the often fatal drop into Metro ranks.

Ringwood appealed against the decision of the investigating body which heard charges laid against the club. When we went to press no official date had been announced for the appeal but it was highly likely that Wednesday, February 10, could be the all important night.

Should Ringwood lose its appeal, a strong possibility, the club will have recourse to Supreme Court action against the VSF. A successful injunction against the federation would throw the league season into complete turmoil. More importantly it would severely test the legality of the VSF constitution and the operations of the federation's investigative bodies.

The "Sinclair affair" was sparked off by a letter written by the Wilhelmina winger to a Melbourne soccer writer. Sinclair was playing for Hong Kong club Eastern at the



Ringwood-Wilhelmina president John van Hoboken.

time, after playing for Wilhelmina for the greater part of the second half of season 1981.

The letter stated, in part, that Sinclair was interested in finding out whether or not he had been registered by Ringwood as a permanent resident.

It was proven at the investigation that he was so registered, even though he officially was registered with Immigration on a holiday visa.

Four charges were laid against Ringwood. Only one

charge was upheld, that of playing an ineligible player. But it was enough to place Ringwood in an invidious situation, the club losing points amassed in three of the games in which Sinclair played.

Should Ringwood lose its appeal and fail in its bid to gain a Supreme Court injunction against the VSF, then the face of Victorian soccer could change dramatically at decision making level.

The make-up of the VSF board of management altered greatly late last year with notable administrators such as Green Gully Ajax's Arnold Langer and Melbourne Croatia's Frank Burin, the principal victims of a successful coup by British clubs.

Ringwood president John van Hoboken voted with the British clubs as did Polonia's delegate.

With Ringwood out of the league and Juventus back in, the State League board of management may move a motion of no confidence in the full VSF board thus paving the way for the return to prominence of Langer and Burin.

It's mere conjecture though. Let's wait and see what happens in the weeks ahead. — CRAIG MACKENZIE

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Από την νικήτρια δεν έπαιξαν οι Β. Καμπυλάκης, Μπακινιότο, Στεργίου και Πέτρον, ενώ από την Δόξα άπουσίαζαν οι βασινοί παίκτες Καραπαναγιωτίδης, Τώνης Αμανατίδης, Άδας Τάπαλης, Ντέννης Αποστολίδης και Αλέσσας Νικολαΐδης.

Επίσης έγιναν άγώνες και τών άναπληρωματικών ομάδων.

Γενικά ή διοργάνωση σημείωσε επιτυχία και οι άνθρωποι τού Μέγα μέ έπι κεφαλής τόν πρόεδρο της Β ομάδας κ. Άθα Κριαρή ζέζουν θερμά συγχαρητήρια.

Τέλος όλοι οι ποδοσφαιριστές πού άγωνίστηκαν ήσαν άριστα για τό ήθος τους και για την άγωνιστικότητα τους.

ΤΙ ΜΑΣ ΕΠΙΕ Ο ΙΟΡΔΑΝΟΥ

Σχετικά μέ τό όλο θέμα πού έξέσασε στην ομάδα της ΕΛΛΑΣ και μέ την ανταρσία των παικτών της Χανδα ο βασινός ποδοσφαιριστής ήπλλ, Ιορδάνου μάς είπε τά έξης:

"Αυπάμα για όσα έγιναν και λυπάμα περισσότερο για όσα έγραφε ήμερησια άγ γλώσσην έφημερίδα για τό πρόσωπό μου, ή όποια μέ παρουσίαζε σαν κάπταιν της άνταρσίας.

Ήθεθνα δηλώνω στην έφημερίδα σας ότι μόλις έπιστρέψω από τίς διακοπές μου ή είμαι στην διάθεση τού προπονητή μου κ.

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Είμαι ένθουςιασμένος από τόν πρόεδρο κ. Τζιμ Διαιτητή και δεν έχω κανένα πάροπον. Είμαι δέ εύχνης πού βρίσκομαι στην οίκογένεια της Ελλάς.

Όποιοσδήποτε άναφέρει τό όνομά μου για τό θέμα τό όποιο πρόεκυψε, να γνωρίζετε ότι ή φεύδεται".

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### ΦΑΡΙΝΑ

Κάθε Τρίτη και Πέμπτη ή Φάρινα συνεχίζει τίς προπονήσεις στό γήπεδό της στό Φόβα Πάρκ από τίς 6.00 έως τίς 8.00 π.μ. Όλοι οι παίκτες είναι έπιδρόδεκτοι.

Ο έτήσιος χορός τού συλλόγου ήα γίνει τό Σάββατο 7 Φεβρουαρίου 1982 κατά την διάρκεια τού όποιο ήα δοθούν και τά άναμνηστικά έπαθλα στους παίκτες.

Ο ΚΡΙΑΡΗΣ ΣΤΟΝ ΗΡΑΚΛΗ

Για μιά ακόμη χρονιά ή είναι προπονητής στόν Ηρακλή ο Τζιμης Κριαρής.

Όσοι παίκτες θέλουν να φορέσουν την φα νέλλα τού συλλόγου να τηλεφωνήσουν στον γενικό άρχηγό κ. Μίκο Τσανή στό 6633711.

Απαρμεικτό Ντίσκο διοργανώνει ο Ηρακλής τό Σάββατο 6/2/82 στό Χώλ της Κυπριας Κοινότητας. Όλοι είναι ευπρόσδεκτοι.

ΕΙΣΕΝΗ ΜΟΝΤΙΣ

Κάθε Τρίτη και Παρασκευή προπονείται ή ΕΙ. ΜΟΝΤΙΣ στό γήπεδο τού Ρίτμοντ.

Την Κυριακή 7/2/82 ο σύλλογος διοργανώνει ένδρομή στό Ντόνμιντσκον. Κατά την διάρκεια της ήμερας ήα γίνει και ποδοσφαιρικός άγώνας μεταξύ τών παικμάχων και της τακτικής ομάδας.

Κατά πάσα πιθανότητα ο ταλαντούχος Μιχαήλ Αραβόπουλος ήα μεταγραφεί στην Β ομάδα τού Μέγα.

ΠΡΟΠΟΝΗΤΕΣ ΓΙΑ ΤΑ ΤΖΟΥΝΙΟΡΣ

Ζητούνται προπονητές για τίς ομάδες τών Τζούνιόρς της Δόξας. Οι ένδιαφερόμενοι να τηλεφωνήσουν στον πρόεδρο κ. Τζιμης Αμανατίδη ήα έλθουν σε έπαφή μέ τόν ύπεύθυνο κ. Καλγίλνδρο.

Ο ΚΑΡΑΜΠΑΤΣΟΣ ΣΤΟ ΗΕΤ ΜΗΡΑΝΣΟΥΙΚ

Ο συμπαθής Μάρκος Καραμπάτσος άπεφάνισε στην φετινή σαιζόν να δοκιμάσει την τύχη του και σάν προπονητή.

Όπως μάς είπε, άνέλαβε προπονητής και παίκτης στην Ιταλική ομάδα τού Προβίζιο ναλ Αλχη Β. "Οστ Μπρόνσουϊνκ.

Ν. ΦΑΛΑΣ

Μάς τό είπε ο γενικός άρχηγός της Ν. ΕΛΛΑΣ Μανώλης Άάης σχετικά μέ μιά ένέργεια άλλου συλλόγου ο όποιος προσάθεσε να πλειώσει έναν παίκτη τού μέ άνορθόδοξο τρόπο: "Νομίζω ότι τέτοιες ένέργειες ήα ή πρέπει να σταματήσουν. Οι τίμειες δουλειές κάνουν και τους καλούς φίλους. Πιστεύω τό θέμα να έλξη και όποια ήμάδα θέλει όποιοδήποτε παίκτη μας, να μάς κτυπήσει την πόρτα".

ΑΠΟΛΑΘΩ

Ο Απολάων άπέκτησε τόν πεπειραμένο μέσο Τάσο Γκίκα από τό Κλίφτον Χίλλ.

"FROM THE PENALTY SPOT"

ΑΡΧΙΖΟΥΝ ΤΗΝ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΑ ΘΕΡΙΝΑ ΤΟΥΡΝΟΥΑ

Την Κυριακή 7 Φεβρουαρίου άρχίζουν τά καλοκαιρινά τουρνουά τού Μορντιάλλον και της Ν. ΕΛΛΑΣ.

Στήν διοργάνωση τού Μορντιάλλον οι ομάδες έχουν χωρισθεί σε δύο όμίλους.

Στόν Α όμίλο είναι οι ομάδες Μπράιτον, Τόρνστον, Κλασίντλ, Μορντιάλλον.

Στόν Β όμίλο είναι οι ομάδες ΔΟΞΑ Γιάρραβιλ, Μάλβερν, Ήθαγόρας, Ξανση Ποντίων και Ξάουθ Σπρίνκβαϊλ.

Οι συναντήσεις όλες ήα γίνουν στό γήπεδο τού Μορντιάλλον και τό πρόγραμμα της Α ήμερας, έχει ως έξης:

12.30 ΜΟΡΝΤΙΑΛΛΟΝ - ΚΑΡΑΠΙΝΤΑ  
2.30 ΜΑΛΒΕΡΝ - ΔΟΞΑ  
3.30 ΜΠΑΥΤΟΝ - ΤΕΑΝΤΟΝ  
5.30 ΗΥΣΑΓΟΡΑΣ - ΣΠΙΝΚΒΑΙΝΑ

Η ΕΙΣΕΝΗ ΜΟΝΤΙΣΜ δεν άγωνίζεται.

Στό ήθος Μάλμπορν και μέ διοργανώτρια την Ν. ΕΛΛΑΣ μετέχουν οι ομάδες Απλάων Φάρινα, Σέντλντλ Σίτυ, Πανελλήνιος, Κλίφτον Χίλλ, Κάλφλντλ, Πανσερρατικός και ή Ν. ΕΛΛΑΣ.

Οι άγώνες ήα άρχίσουν στις 1.00 π.μ. και οι συναντήσεις της Α ήμερας έχουν ως έξης:

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ΣΕΝΤΡΑΛ ΣΙΤΥ - ΠΑΝΕΛΛΗΝΙΟΣ  
ΚΛΑΦΑΝΤ - Ν. ΕΛΛΑΣ  
ΚΛΑΤΟΝ ΧΙΛΛ - ΠΑΝΕΡΡΑΙΚΟΣ

ΤΟ ΝΕΟ Δ. ΣΥΜΒΟΥΛΙΟ ΤΗΣ ΔΟΞΑΣ

Τό νέο Δ. Συμβούλιο της Δόξας Γιάρραβιλ είναι τό έξης:

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Αντιπρόεδρος: Ξανόπουλος Ανδρέας  
Γενικός άρχηγός: Παπαχριστοδούλου Άριστέλιος.

Βοηθός Γεν. άρχηγού: Τρολιανίδης Άλέκος  
Ταμίας: Γερονόκος Βασίλειος  
Βοηθός Ταμίας: Σταυρουλάκης Γιώργος  
Γραμματέας Α: FRED MADDEN

Γραμματέας Β: Κοτσαγιαννίδης Δημήτριος  
Υπεύθυνος Γηπέδου και Ιματισμού: Μαλιγιώργος Παντελής

Βοηθός Ξφόρος: Παπαχριστοδούλου Άριστέλιος  
Υπεύθυνος Τύπου και Έκδηλώσεων: Βασαράκης Κώστας

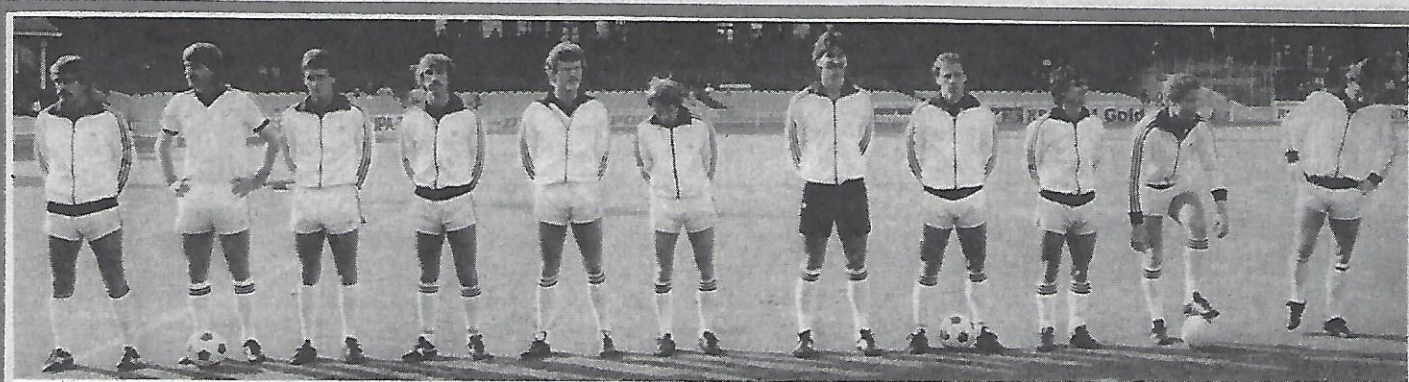
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Υπεύθυνος Τζούνιόρς: Μαλιγιώργος Παντελής.

Στήν πρώτη τού έπαφή τό νέο Δ. Συμβούλιο της Δόξας μέ τόν τεχνικό της ομάδας Μάνο Μήλιο και μέ τόν βοηθό τού Βαγγέλη Τερζάκη, άφησε να έννοσιθεί ότι ήα σταθεί κοντά τους για να επιτύχουν στό έργο τους.

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Lalor United Sloga ulazi u novu sezonu sa velikim planovima. Prvi korak ka ostvarenju ovih planova je sportskom polju.





## Meet the New Zealanders

**RICHARD WILSON** (Preston Makedonia): has emerged as a goalkeeper of genuine class during New Zealand's World Cup campaign, keeping nine successive clean sheets and threatening Dino Zoff's record of 1,143 minutes of international action without conceding a goal. Is blessed with a magnificent big match temperament. Age: 25.

**FRANK VAN HATTUM** (Manurewa): A somewhat controversial choice as Wilson's deputy, a recent poll among NZ soccer journalists ranked him only fifth in the country, but John Adshead has great faith in his ability. Age: 22.

**GLEN DODS** (Adelaide City Juventus): A solid, reliable performer who does not get the recognition he deserves as a vital cog in the Kiwi machine. Age: 24.

**JOHN HILL** (Gisborne City): Only in the past two years has Hill gained acknowledgement as the fine player he undoubtedly is. Came to New Zealand in 1975 after a glittering career with Glenora, winning every honor available in Irish League soccer. Age: 30.

**ADRIAN ELRIK** (Hamilton North Shore United): Although born in Scotland, has played all his soccer in New Zealand. A utility player, but John Adshead prefers to place him in the back four. Age: 32. Played in 1973 and 1977 World Cup qualifying series.

**BOBBY ALMOND** (Christchurch Mogal United): London-born Almond gained a FA Youth Cup Winners' medal with Tottenham Hotspur, but was not offered professional terms. Came to New Zealand in 1973 and subsequently gained all honors open to him in domestic soccer with Christchurch United, a club he is now in dispute with following a suspension late in the season. A highly competent central defender. Age: 29.

**RICKY HERBERT** (Mount Wellington): Has come on in leaps and bounds during the past two years. New Zealand Young Player of the Year in 1980 and the Auckland Footballer of the Year in 1981, Herbert obviously is destined for many more distinctions. An able partner for Almond in the middle of the defence, he was rejected after trialling with Middleborough in 1979, but is trying his luck in England again. He won both league and cup winners' medals with Mount Wellington in 1980. Age: 20.

**SAM MALCOLMSON** (Manurewa): The veteran of the squad. After a brief flirtation with Scottish League soccer at Aldrie and Queen of the South, came to New Zealand in 1974 and is now with his fifth Kiwi club. Originally a striker, but now reverted to a stopper. Age: 33.

**GLEN ADAM** (Mount Wellington): Can play either in the back four or midfield. A former under-21 international, he made his debut for the senior New Zealand side in 1978. Age: 22.

**DAVE BRIGHT** (Manurewa): The consistency of Almond and Herbert has restricted opportunities for Bright, who played with senior semi-professional clubs in South-East England before emigrating in 1975. A protégé of Adshead at Manurewa. Age: 31.

**BRIAN TURNER** (Unattached): Still regarded as New Zealand soccer's finest product, with countless honors to his name. Unfortunately has struggled in the PSL, but his guile and experience is still invaluable to the New Zealand team. Age: 32. International Appearances: 90.

**STEVE SUMMER** (West Adelaide): The Kiwi captain. Played against China and Kuwait despite severe ankle injury. A battler with genuine ability. After failing to make the grade in his native England with Preston North End, Blackpool and Grimsby Town came to New Zealand

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in 1973 and captured all domestic prizes with Christchurch United, before crossing the Tasman this year. Despite injury and absence on World Cup duty, established himself at Newcastle before joining West Adelaide. Age: 25.

**DUNCAN COLE** (Canberra City): Potentially New Zealand soccer's greatest son. A tireless worker with real skill. He has proven favorite in the ACT, although is unhappy with the role George Murray gave him in the City side. The New Zealand Young Player of the Year in 1979. Age: 23.

**KEITH MACKAY** (Gisborne City): Nicknamed "Buzzer" because of his non-stop, aggressive running. Is not the most gifted player, yet his work rate is an integral part of the New Zealand game. An ex-national under-21 team selection, he made his senior debut in the 4-0 destruction of Mexico. Age: 24.

**ALLAN BOATH** (West Adelaide): A midfielder who has spent much of the World Cup campaign on the substitute's bench. Enjoyed an illustrious career in Scottish youth football and reached senior Second Division status before coming to New Zealand in 1978. Age: 23.

**STEVE WOODDIN** (South Melbourne Hellas): A lethal striker of the ball, his left foot will probably be designated a national monument in New Zealand. Wooddin has been a star performer this year. Emigrated after a handful of first team games for Trarua in the English Third Division and quickly became a great favorite among Otago soccer fans. Has not yet fulfilled his potential in Melbourne, but has the ability to become a great success in the PSL. Age: 26.

**GRANT TURNER** (St. Melb. Hellas): The revelation of the season and duly awarded with the New Zealand Player of the Year trophy. A bustling, fierce competitor who loves scoring goals. He came to the fore under the astute coaching of Kevin Fallon at Gisborne and appears destined to be a major figure in New Zealand soccer for many years to come. Age: 23.

**PETER SIMONSON** (Gisborne City): Replaced the sadly ineffective Clive Campbell. Failed to make the grade when trialling with Brisbane Lions, but returned to New Zealand and produced some devastating performances for Gisborne. Another graduate from the under-21 selection and hailed from the small soccer backwater of Blenheim. Age: 22.

**BILLY MCCLURE** (Mount Wellington): Was drafted into the World Cup squad immediately upon gaining New Zealand citizenship and replaced the suspended Wooddin for the second encounter with China. Spent a season with Liverpool Reserves before coming to New Zealand via Iran. Possesses good close ball control and is a precise striker of the ball. Age: 23.

**JOHN ADSHEAD** (Coach): Like Wooddin,

Summer and McClure originates from Lancashire and spent much of his playing career with Fleetwood before briefly breaking into the English League at Exeter and here he sustained the knee injury which curtailed his playing days.

Answered an advert in "FIFA News" and was appointed coach to the Western Australia State side. Crossed the Tasman and gained remarkable success with Manurewa, leading them to the prestigious Chatham Cup while still a regional league club.

**KEVIN FALLON** (Assistant Coach): Recently caused a surprise by re-signing with his club Gisborne City, although his name had been linked with both Newcastle KB United and Marconi. Fallon was a professional player with Rotherham United, Southend United and Sligo Rovers (Ire).

### REWARD FOR 22

New Zealand manager John Adshead reaffirmed his faith in the squad that served him so well during the past few months by selecting them on blue for Spain. Six Australian-based players are included in the 22.

The squad is: Richard Wilson (Preston Makedonia), Frank Van Hattum (Manurewa), Barry Pickering (Christchurch United), Adrian Elrik (Hamilton North Shore United), Glen Dods (Adelaide City Juventus), Bobby Almond (Unattached), John Hill (Gisborne City), Allan Boath (West Adelaide Hellas), Glen Adam (Mount Wellington), Steve Summer (West Adelaide Hellas), Peter Simonson (Gisborne City), Grant Turner (South Melbourne Hellas), Keith Mackay (Gisborne City), Dave Bright (Manurewa), Ken Crosswell (Gisborne City), Sam Malcolmson (Manurewa), Duncan Cole (Unattached), Ricky Herbert (Mount Wellington), Billy McClure (Mount Wellington), Brian Turner (Unattached), Wynton Rufer (Norwich City), Steve Woodin (South Melbourne Hellas).

Captain Summer may miss New Zealand's opening game against Scotland in the finals, after incurring a second booking during his team's epic 2-1 victory over China in Singapore. He was shown the yellow card for alleged time wasting — this after just 22 minutes of the game.

New Zealand hopes to arrange six warm-up games prior to departing for Spain, therefore its Australian exiles will miss up to eight games of the PSL programme.

The Kiwis meet Hungary in Auckland on February 11. In Christchurch three days later, Czecho-Magyar will oppose a "New Zealand XI," which will be minus Wilson, Dods, Boath, Summer, Turner and Woodin. All six will be involved in the PSL's opening day.

The New Zealand team lines up before its 2-0 victory over Australia at the Sydney Cricket Ground last May, from left: Steve Summer, Brian Turner, Steve Woodin, Glen Dods, Ricky Herbert, John Hill, Richard Wilson, Duncan Cole, Keith Mackay, Grant Turner, Bobby Almond.

## 1982 FIFA World Cup\*\*

# GLOBETROTTING KIWIS BREAK FOUR WORLD RECORDS!

After the longest qualifying campaign in World Cup history, New Zealand is preparing for Spain — propelled in nine months from the backwaters into the mainstream of the game.

The team's 15-match struggle to reach the final tournament transformed rugby-mad New Zealand into a nation of soccer fanatics, and secured once and for all the public's confidence in the quality of its players.

In December New Zealand faced the apparently impossible task of beating Saudi Arabia 5-0 in its last scheduled qualifying game to force a play-off with China. It did just that and went on to reach the finals by defeating the Chinese 2-1 in the cloying humidity of Singapore's national stadium.

In 15 matches, the team lost only once, drew five times and scored 44 goals while conceding 10.

Four World Cup records tumbled on the way. No other nation ever has had to play as many qualifying games, or achieved its 44-goal aggregate, or equalled its 13-0 victory over Fiji, the highest score ever in a World Cup game.

Finally the team's run of nine games without conceding a goal — between its April 25 draw



New Zealand coaches Kevin Fallon (left) and John Adshead

with Australia and its October 10 loss to Kuwait, is the longest in Cup history.

The Singapore victory caused a wave of national elation, filling newspaper front pages for two days. It brought a promise of financial reward which will strengthen the game in New Zealand for years, as well as unprecedented international recognition for the New Zealand team.

But the side has a difficult time ahead. As veteran striker Brian Turner, who hopes to play his 100th match for New Zealand in Spain, remarked recently: "We've won the battle. Now here comes the war."

Captain Steve Summer has no illusions about his side's hopes of overthrowing soccer's top nations. Conceding the Kiwis have no chance of winning the World Cup, Summer says the team still will make a major contribution to the tournament.

"We play an exciting brand of soccer. I don't think anyone can deny that," he said.

Summer believes his team has a duty to perform well after its grueling effort to qualify. "We can't let ourselves down," he said, "It would undo much of the good we have achieved. That would be tragic."

"We don't want to mess about now we have

made the last 24 teams to play in Spain," Summer said.

"We must use the finals to learn, to improve our game, to give the game back home a momentum that will continue for some time. The best way to do that is to play against the cream of world soccer."

The English-born captain's on-field guidance has been a major factor in the team's success, but the men recognized as the architects of the country's World Cup bid are coach-manager John Adshead, assistant coach Kevin Fallon and New Zealand Cup Committee director Charlie Dempsey.

Adshead, Manchester-born but a New Zealand resident for several years, often has clashed with the New Zealand Football Association. With his contract shortly up for renewal, he faced the sack if the team did not produce results.

"When that happens, you have to take a long look and ask 'should I get out?' But I knew where I was going," he said. "So I decided to hell with them. I'll do it in spite of them."

"I have to admit to a little glow inside just now, a lot of self-satisfaction. The tack I've always been on has been proved right."

Fallon, coach of New Zealand First Division side Gisborne City, is regarded as the team's taskmaster — a hard

worker at training sessions and a stickler for fitness. His job during the campaign has been to coach the side's defence, and the team's nine-game run without conceding a goal was a personal triumph.

Dempsey, an expatriate Scot with a reputation for the uncompromising nature of his administration, dreams of the match between New Zealand and his native Scotland.

"What a dream match that will be... with New Zealand winning of course," he said.

Assessing his players, coach Adshead said: "We've never looked to have outstanding players. We've had players who know their jobs. We've attempted to organize them well and I think Kevin (Fallon) and I have made few mistakes."

"But the big thing about this squad has been character. The way we have lived together, got on together and played for each other — you don't normally see that in football teams."

"It's difficult to believe that it's all over, that we've got the result we wanted," Adshead said in Singapore.

"And now there's Spain."

The team line ups for the New Zealand-China play-off in Singapore were:

**NEW ZEALAND:** Richard Wilson, Glen Dods, Ricky Herbert, Bobby Almond, Adrian Elrik, Alan Boath, Steve Summer, Duncan Cole, Grant Turner, Synton Rufer, Steve Woodin. Reserves — Frank Hattum, John Hill, Keith Mackay, Peter Simonson, Glen Adam.

**CHINA:** Li Fusheng, Cai Jinbiao, Chi Shangbin, Lin Luofeng, Huang Xiangdong, Zang Cailling, Zuo Shusheng, Zhang Guangming, Rong Gu Yuhua. Reserves — Yang Ning, Liu Chender, Wang Feng, Yang Yumin, Chen Jigang.

Referee — Arppi Filho of Brazil.

## THE DRAW

**GROUP ONE** (at Vigo and Coruna): 1 Italy, 2 Poland, 3 Peru, 4 Cameroun.

**GROUP TWO** (Gijon and Oviedo): 5 West Germany, 6 Algeria, 7 Chile, 8 Austria.

**GROUP THREE** (Barcelona, Alicante and Elches): 9 Argentina, 10 Belgium, 11 Hungary, 12 El Salvador.

**GROUP FOUR** (Bibao and Valladolid): 13 England, 14 France, 16 Czechoslovakia, 16 Kuwait.

**GROUP FIVE** (Valencia and Zaragoza): 17 Spain, 18 Honduras, 19 Yugoslavia, 20 Northern Island.

**GROUP SIX** (Seville and Malaga): 21 Brazil, 22 Soviet Union, 23 Scotland, 24 New Zealand.